



# CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

Cross Country..... 1B

## City voters elect three new council members

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

Those people that voted in the city election on Tuesday, November 2, opted for change on the Grayling City Council, as three new members were elected to fill three empty seats.

Dave Wyman, Brian D. Banda, and Jerry W. Hayes all were elected to four-year terms on the council.

Wyman, Banda, and Hayes will join current members D.J. Brown and Marilyn Palmer on the City Council.

The three recently-elected members will

fill the seats being vacated by Mayor Ralph Stevens, Councilman Robert Ruddy and Councilman Robert Golnick, whose terms expire this year.

Golnick and Ruddy both sought re-election, but were defeated at the polls this time around.

City Clerk Kay Ellen King reported that ballot counting went smoothly and tests came out satisfactory.

The tallying of votes went quicker than anticipated due to low voter turnout, King said. Only 308 registered city voters went to the polls in the election.

The final numbers for the 1999 city council election numbers were as follows:

Dave Wyman	253
Brian D. Banda	166
Jerry W. Hayes	155
Robert B. Golnick	123
Robert J. Ruddy	111

## Who will pay Road Board legal costs?

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

Crawford County District 2 Commissioner Scott Hanson recently posed the question: Can the Road Commissioners use public funds to pay for their legal defense counsel in regards to the December 7 hearing concerning allegations of violations of the Opening Meetings Act?

Hanson asked the question during the regular meeting of the County Board on October 20, and then again at a special meeting held October 25, in the presence of County Prosecutor John Huss.

Commissioner Hanson said he is concerned about taxpayers' dollars being spent on the defense of Road Commission Board Chair Raymond Swiercz and Vice Chair Robert Nelson in proceedings that may result in their removal from their appointed positions by the County Board.

After some research, Hanson advised the Board and Prosecutor of a 1953 decision made by then Michigan Attorney General Frank G. Millard found in the *Report of the Attorney General* - 1954, page 254-255, No. 1666.

At that time, Roscommon County

Prosecuting Attorney Van H. Ring requested the following opinion of Millard when that county wished to remove road commissioners from office: "May the board of county road commissioners use public funds to pay the expense of the employment of counsel to defend the members in such removal proceedings?"

Millard replied, "the statute vests in the (road) board the authority: 'Said board may also engage such other professional and consultant services as it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and promote efficiency and economy in the operation of the county road system. Said board may also employ such other servants and laborers as may be necessary....' Sec. 224.10; C.L.1948; § 9.1110, M.S.A.S."

"This language has been construed as authorizing the board to employ the services of a private attorney. O.A.G. 1945-1946, page 579."

Millard goes on to state an attorney may only be employed to carry

Continued on Page 2A  
See "Who will pay..."

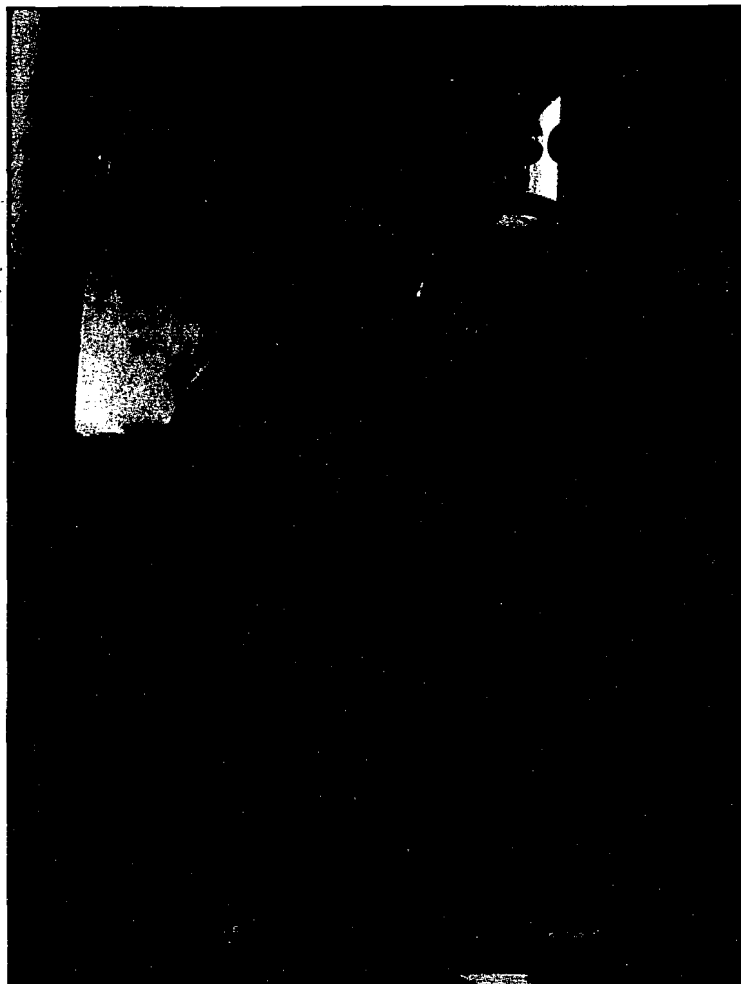


Photo courtesy of Ed Holtcamp

**EASY DOES IT** - Grayling third grader Alexis Myers carefully navigates her way out of the Fire Safety House as teacher Kim Laughton and Grayling fire fighter Jack Money look on. For more on Fire Prevention Month, see Page 2A.

## Y2K bug won't affect Mercy patient care

by Daniel DeCapua  
Capital News Service

When the clock strikes midnight on December 31, patients at Grayling Mercy Hospital won't have to worry about Year 2000 computer problems, thanks to nearly three years of preparation, hospital officials say.

"The driving force behind this massive project has been to ensure that patient care is not compromised," said Jeff Martin, the hospital's Y2K project director.

Diane Friedrichsen, of the marketing and communications department, said she also believes the hospital is prepared and applauds the team effort. "It's been a huge team effort where all of our staff has really pitched in. We're ready to go. We've checked over 3,000 pieces of equipment and only one of them, which is not vital to patient care, isn't set."

An important part of their preparation has been making sure other organizations are also ready, said Debra Anthony Larson, director of quality management. "This contingency plan is to ensure not everyone rushes to the hospital if something goes wrong. We've worked with nursing homes and other organiza-

tions to make sure they're prepared."

The hospital worked closely with community groups in Grayling and even has back-up plans to the back-up plans. Larson said, "If we lose power, we have generators. If we lose those, we have back-up generators. The same goes for food, water and medication. We've ordered additional medication that we'll have in stock. We're definitely prepared for any type of event that could occur."

Larson said many employees will be on stand-by in case of emergencies.

The hospital will keep busy in the next few months leading up to the new year, Martin said. "We think we're in good shape, but we'll continue looking and double checking over equipment along with finalizing our contingency plans."

Martin said he believes the project has been well worth the time spent even if nothing occurs because it's helped to shore up the hospital's disaster plans in case something happens after January 1.

"It's like fire insurance for your home. You don't expect your house to burn down, but you're ready just in case."

## Road Board voices opposition to upcoming plutonium shipment

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The Road Commission for Crawford County's Board passed a motion last week to draft a letter in opposition to a planned shipment of plutonium scheduled to pass through the county later this year.

The commissioners recently received a letter and information packet from the United States Department of Energy (DOE) requesting input on the issue. The shipment in question involves "nine

fuel rods, containing less than 120 grams of plutonium" being transported from New Mexico to Ontario, Canada, according to a memo from the DOE.

The fuel rods will be used in "Project Parallax," a one-time test to gather information on the disposal of weapons-grade plutonium in a Canadian reactor. A shipment of plutonium from Russia to Canada will also be involved in the project.

The planned route of the fuel rod shipment includes moving north on

I-75 through Crawford County and eventually over the Mackinac Bridge. From the Upper Peninsula, the shipment will go through Sault Ste. Marie into Canada.

Commissioner Robert Nelson voiced a disapproval of the planned route, and the timing of the shipment.

"I am opposed to having it run up through I-75," said Nelson. "Are they going to have a response team on both ends of it? We are not equipped to handle anything like

this. No one in the area is."

"And they're doing it in the winter, when our roads aren't the most driveable," he added.

Commissioner Nelson also expressed a concern that the route includes the bridges over Great Lakes.

"Why go across all that fresh water? They could contaminate the whole five lakes," Nelson said.

Nelson suggested the shipment go directly north into Canada from New Mexico and transported to

where it needs to go once it leaves the U.S. border.

Nelson moved to authorize the drafting of a letter to the DOE in opposition to the shipment's route.

Road Board Chairman Ray Swiercz didn't anticipate a problem, but supported the motion.

"I think they know what they're doing," Swiercz said.

According to the DOE, the large, specially designed metal drums carrying the fuel rods "ensure: (1) that the container will not break open in

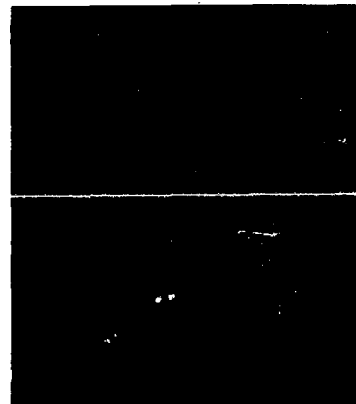
a severe accident and (2) that people will not be exposed to a radiation dose above regulatory limits during transport."

Other safety precautions being taken include the notification of all area law enforcement agencies, health departments, and emergency services, and the "shipment will be monitored by satellite and the truck driver will be in continuous radio contact with the Department of Energy and his company," according to the DOE.

## A haunting, hilarious, harmless and happy Halloween enjoyed by hundreds in Crawford County

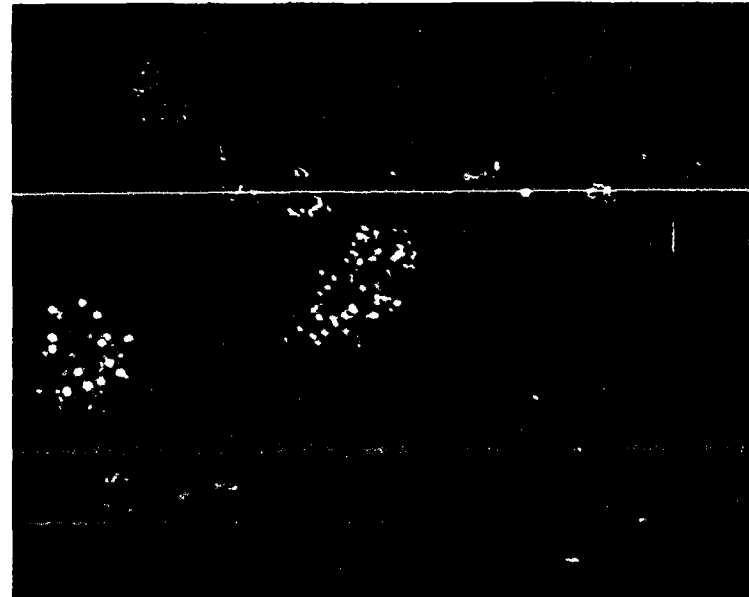


**FREDERIC ON PARADE** - Frederic Elementary students took advantage of the unseasonably warm weather last Friday, showing off their Halloween costumes for the townfolk.



**SHEARER MADNESS** - Warner Drive resident Mike Shearer (left) delivers on his promise to scare trick-or-treaters on Halloween. These two revellers appear reluctant to follow Shearer's instructions, "Or, else...."

Photos by Cheryl Ruley



**HE'S WAITING FOR YOU!** - To get a treat at the Shearer home on Warner Drive, trick-or-treaters had to walk a path of chalk written warnings and hidden spooks. More than 150 kids paid a visit to the residence made famous by a classified ad.

### Headlines

Areas of Camp Grayling open to hunters. . . . . 3A  
More than 50 GHS seniors ace MEAP tests . . . . . 3A  
1999-2000 Football Contest . . . . . 13A  
Winter Car Care. . . . . 14-15A  
JV Basketball wins 2 more games. . . . . 1B

### Crawford County Avalanche

Crawford County's Newspaper since 1878  
Vol 121 No 44 26 PAGES - 2 SECTIONS  
PO Box 490 Grayling MI 49738 (517) 348-6811  
www.townnews.com/avalanche/

### Inside

Business Directory.8-10A Legal Notices . . . . 4-5B  
Church Directory . . . 6A Opinions . . . . . 4A  
Classifieds . . . . . 7-10B Sports & Rec . . . . 1-4B  
Facts & Features . . . 6B Obitis . . . . . 11A

## Q: Who can refer to Hospice of Michigan?



Anyone can refer a patient with a terminal illness to Hospice of Michigan. If you, or someone you know could benefit from comfort care designed to meet the medical, emotional and spiritual needs of terminally-ill patients and their families, call on us. We can contact your physician for you.

For more information, call Sue Shomock at (517) 732-2151, 810 S. Otsego, Ste. 111, Gaylord



Serving northern Michigan since 1985

THRILLS that almost TOUCH YOU!  
through the magic of

3-DIMENSION

Amazing sights the human eye has never before seen!



IT

CAME FROM OUTER SPACE

### Crawford AuSable Community Education Cultural Events Classic Movie Series Opener

Rialto Theatre

November 3, 1999

Matinee 2 p.m. & Evening 7:30 p.m.

For ticket information 348-7641 ext. 123 or 120

Sponsored by Cornell Insurance

in partnership with Crawford AuSable Community Education Cultural Events

# Fire safety taught to area school kids

*But, lesson is for everyone*

By Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

During the month of October, Fire Prevention Month, area fire departments presented fire safety programs to students in the Crawford AuSable and Gerrish-Higgins school districts.

Through the use of videos and a new Fire Safety House, built and donated by the Zonta Club of Alpena, fire officials from Beaver Creek, Frederic, Grayling and Gerrish Townships instructed around 800 kids about the importance of a family escape plan and a working smoke alarm.

After a 30-minute presentation, students were taken through the Fire Safety House which is equipped with two types of operating smoke detectors. One type is the kind found in the typical home, the other has red flashing lights and is used by the deaf or hearing impaired.

The house is also outfitted with three types of standard windows and are used to show the kids how to operate them in case they must use a window for an alternate escape route.

While in the Fire Safety House, students experience a simulated

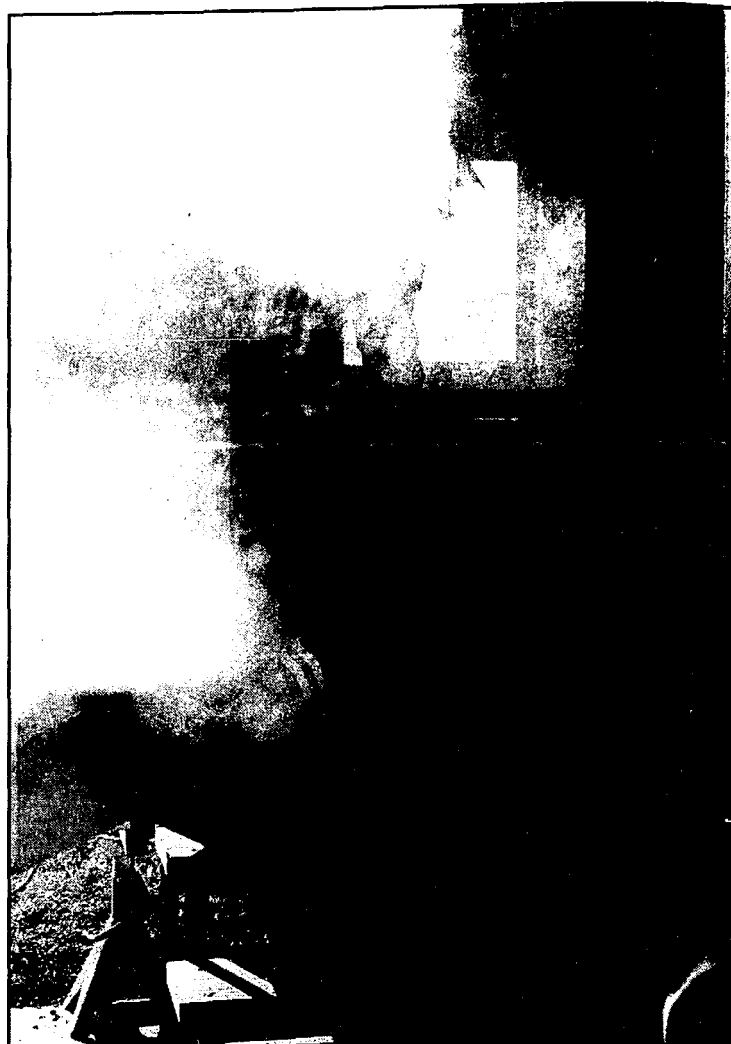
fire with simulated smoke. They have to use the skills they learned earlier, such as how to use 911 and to leave a hot door closed, to escape the house quickly and safely.

"It's phenomenal what this does for kids," said Beaver Creek Township Fire Chief Ed Holtcamp. "This house actually lets them see what it's like to escape a smoke filled house. They have to use their heads to keep from panicking."

Holtcamp said there have been 99 structure fires in Michigan this year through the month of August. Of those fires, 31 children in the birth to nine years age group died as a result. The fire chief also said in those 99 structure fires, 57 of the buildings had no smoke detector.

Even more alarming was the statistic that 20 of the 42 homes were found to have non-operational smoke detectors. "In those cases, the batteries were dead or they had been removed to be used in toys. If a kid dies, you don't need the toys anymore, do you?" remarked Holtcamp. "You know, there were 16 fires in August in Michigan. Only three buildings had smoke detectors... none of them worked."

Holtcamp said 35-45 people will



**EXPEDITIOUS EXITING** - Local school children learned from area fire fighters to keep low where the air is better and temperatures are cooler, when escaping a smoke filled building. They also learned the importance of a family escape plan.

die in Michigan structure fires per month during the winter heating season. "There is no doubt in my

**FIRE SAFETY HOUSE** - (left) More than 800 area students had the opportunity recently to experience and escape a mock fire, complete with simulated smoke, when the Fire Safety House visited.

mind that lives will be saved through this fire safety program."

Local fire officials plan to continue educational programs throughout their communities. "The Fire Safety House is just an extension of programs we have been providing for years. We hope to present a spring wildfire prevention program with the DNR to increase public awareness," Holtcamp said.



Photos courtesy of Ed Holtcamp

## Who will pay Road Board legal costs?

Continued from Page 1A

out the specific duties and operation of the road commission in regard to the county road system.

"Proceedings for the removal of one or more of the commissioners are brought against such commissioners individually," stated Millard, "not against the board itself."

"Likewise," Millard continued, "it is the individual responsibility of

the commissioners rather than the board to defend such action. In the absence of statutory provision therefore there is no authority to incur obligation upon the county or the board of county road commissioners for such expense. *Miner v. Bd. of Supervisors of Shiawassee County*, 49 Mich. 602."

Millard concluded, there being no statutory authority of the road commissioners, the answer to Ring's

question was "no."

Hanson provided Huss with his findings for review prior to revealing them at the special meeting and asked the Prosecutor for his opinion.

At the meeting, Huss intimated his agreement with Millard's 1953 decision... county funds cannot be used to defend road commissioners Swiercz and Nelson at proceedings next month.

# Pre-New Year's Eve Party

Bring Your Friends & Have a Great Time!

Drink Specials

Prizes from Holiday Inn, Vanderploeg & WUPS 98.5 FM

No Cover Charge

Live Remote by WUPS

to MoJo & the Boogie Man, the Group that will Perform at Our New Year's Eve Party

Speak Easy Saloon inside the Holiday Inn of Grayling Friday, November 12

## Grand Opening of Feeny's Pre-Owned Vehicle Center

Over 60 pre-owned cars, vans and 4x4's to choose from!

Mini Van Madness Continues

**2000 Dodge Caravan**  
4-speed automatic, 3.0 L V-6, Air Conditioning, AM/FM Cassette, Dual Sliding Doors, Roof Rack, Power Windows and Locks, Rear Window Defroster, 7 Passenger Seating, Dual Air Bags, Easy Roller Seats, Rear Wiper, Underseat Storage, and Much More! Stock #91008  
Was \$23,165 • Now Only **\$19,995**  
Lease for \$325\*

**2000 Plymouth Grand Voyager**  
4-speed automatic, 3.0 L V-6, Air Conditioning, Cruise Control, Tilt Wheel, AM/FM Cassette, Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirror, Dual Sliding Doors, Dual Air Bags, Integrated Child Safety Seats, and Much More! Stock #91016  
Was \$23,925 • Now Only **\$20,750**  
Lease for \$335\*

**2000 Dodge Grand Caravan SE**  
4-speed automatic, 3.3 L V-6, ABS Brakes, Air Conditioning, AM/FM Cassette w/CD Player, Power Windows, Power Locks, Cruise, Tilt Wheel, Sunscreen Glass, Roof Rack, Floor Mats, Remote Keyless Entry, Dual Air Bags, and Much More! Stock #91020  
Was \$25,430 • Now Only **\$21,995**  
Lease for \$339\*

**2000 Dodge Grand Caravan Sport**  
4-speed automatic, 3.3 L V-6, Sport Package, Air Conditioning, Trip Computer, Power Driver's Seat, AM/FM Cassette w/CD Player, Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Sunscreen Glass, Fog Lamps, Roof Rack, 16" Alum. Wheels, Quad Bucket Seats, Remote Keyless Entry, and Much More! Stock #91015  
Was \$27,890 • Now Only **\$23,995**  
Lease for \$369\*

**2000 Chrysler Town & Country LXi**  
4-speed automatic, 3.8 L V-6, Infinity AM/FM Cassette w/CD Player, Sunscreen Glass, Dual Heated Power Seats, Power Windows, Power Locks, Power Mirrors, Roof Rack, ABS Brakes, Traction Control, Alum. Wheels, Rear Heat and Air, Quad Bucket Seats, Cruise, Tilt Wheel, Leather Interior, Trip Computer, and Much More! Stock #92007  
Was \$32,055 • Now Only **\$27,995**  
Lease for \$399\*

1001 Mankowski Rd.  
Exit 282 off I-75  
Gaylord  
(517) 732-5991  
(888) 430-8818

**FEENY**  
GAYLORD

Check Out Our Used Cars At [www.feeny.com](http://www.feeny.com)  
\*All leases are 36 months/12,000 miles per year \$1,500 down. All rebates to dealer. Plus tax on cash down, first security payment deposit, plates, and doc. fee due at delivery. With approved credit.

# More than 50 GHS seniors ace MEAP tests

## \$2,500 higher education scholarships awarded

### Spring 1999 GHS MEAP Test results

- Endorsed Results - Levels 1,2, and 3**
- **Math:** 8.6% above state average at 88%
  - **Reading:** 6.5% above state average at 87.5%
  - **Writing:** 10.3% above state average at 94.2%
  - **Science:** 16.9% above state average at 93.9%
- Met/Exceeded State Standards - Level 1 & 2**
- **Math:** 12.6% above state average at 71.6%
  - **Reading:** 14.7% above state average at 77.2%
  - **Writing:** 32.2% above state average at 69.4%
  - **Science:** 12% above state average at 57.1%

Forty percent of Grayling High School's class of 2000 -- 53 students -- scored a one or two on all four Spring 1999 MEAP tests and will

receive a \$2,500 Michigan Merit Award for higher education. These students are: Jason Boreo, Joe Capuano, Tasha Carlisle, Ryan

Casey, James Cassell, Matt Cragg, Colby Davis, Derik Denewett, Heidi Englund, Matt Evon, Sarrah Fairbotham, Jessica Ferrigan, Amanda Fortino, Adria Frankina, Brandon Gabriel, Heather Goodrow, David Hawkins, Tanya Helsel, John Herrick, Nathan Hinkle, Amanda Johns, Sara Johnson, Sara Kenney, Andrea Kolka, Mike Latusek, Teresa Legg, Amy Lehto, Amanda Love, Nick Makowski, Angela McClain, Brandi McClain, Melanie McClain, Sarah McGuire, Matt Mitchell, Sam Moore, Nick Nickert, Tim Ormsbee, Cheryl Papendick, Mike Pappas, Lindsay Porter, Amie Price, Tiffany Ruark, Eric Safin, Allison Schoen, Erin Scott, Liz Snider, Katie Southard, Megan Southworth, Michelle Stephenson, Amy Stevenson, Mika Sumner, Eli Tobin, Ray Trudgeon, and Kelly

Wilson. MEAP test results have been mailed to the homes of each student. Test results showed GHS students exceeded state averages by a large margin in all four tests covering Math, Science, Reading and Writing. Tests are scored in three levels. Level One being the highest. GHS seniors scored between 12% and 32.2% above state averages on the four tests for meeting or exceeding state standards, and between 6.5% and 16.9% above state averages for scoring at a state endorsed level. \*\*Information provided by the Crawford AuSable School District Board Happenings, October 1999 edition. A copy of Board Happenings may be obtained at the offices of the Board of Education on Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

# Parks recognized for community enhancement

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

Since moving to the banks of the AuSable River in 1993, after retiring from a Detroit area engineering firm, Edgar (Ed) E. Parks has been contributing to his new community. On October 20, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners honored Parks for his dedication.

Parks has and continues to serve as advisor, engineer and volunteer consultant for the library, fish hatchery, and animal shelter projects. He

has also worked on projects at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church and Grayling Township Hall, now nearing completion.

Other contributions made by Parks include beginning an annual cedar tree planting project on the AuSable River, serving as a member of the Grayling Township Zoning Board and as president of the AuSable River Property Owners Association.

In the Detroit area, Parks serves

on the Board of Directors for the Detroit Zoological Society and the Detroit Music Hall.

Representatives from each Crawford County project Parks has assisted were in attendance when County Chair Lynnette Corlew read and presented the framed resolution to Parks.

The resolution cited Parks as a "true inspiration within the community, extremely active" and having "great rapport with local and state officials."

"I really appreciate this," said Parks. "This is an honor. But, I don't do what I do to be honored. I do it because I've been blessed. I do it to give back some of the blessing I have received."

Parks continued, "This county is blessed maybe more so than any other. The river, forest and other natural areas make Crawford County special in this country... and the world. We owe it to our kids and grandkids to make sure it's there for them."

"I hope to be an influence to increase the quality of life in Crawford County."

# Crew sets the stage for GHS musical

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

The stage and construction crew for this fall's production of the musical *Meet Me in St. Louis* is busy designing, building and painting the turn-of-the-century set for Grayling High School Players cast

members.

Members of the stage and construction crew, under the direction of Student Technical Director Lindsay Porter, are: Chris Bass, Jenna Bugyi, Chris Cerelli, Janna Eddy, Shane Ferrell, Ara Gallagher, Heather Hatfield, Teresa Legg,

Charlie McNamara, Sonya Saladine, Michelle Stepp, and Forrest Thompson.

Adult advisors for the set construction, lighting and curtain calls are Technical Director Mark Binert and Assistant Technical Director James Carmean.

*Meet Me in St. Louis* will have a three-night run in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium at Grayling High School, November 18-20, doors opening each evening at 6:30 p.m. Performances begin at 7 p.m.

The Thursday night performance is part of the *Learning Through Music Series*. Patrons of the series should have already received tickets for the November 18 performance. Any patrons who have not received these tickets should call 348-7641, ext. 123 or 120.

Tickets for this performance, as well as the two following on Friday and Saturday evenings, are available at general admission prices of \$5 for adults and \$4 for students and senior citizens (over 60).

Tickets may be purchased at J. Dap Co. (J.C. Penney Catalog store) on Michigan Avenue.

# Areas of Camp Grayling open to deer hunters

CAMP GRAYLING -- Camp Grayling's Commander, Colonel Gary J. McConnell, reminds hunters that a majority of Camp Grayling's training areas are open to the public during Michigan's Firearm Deer Hunting Season, November 15-30.

Game laws and hunting are regulated by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) on Camp Grayling property, as they are on other hunting areas owned by the State.

Areas not open to hunting are the Hanson State Game Refuge (including the main camp cantonment area), and any fenced range impact areas (Range 13, 30, and 40) which are restricted by DNR Closure Orders.

Camp Grayling personnel will be

assisting the Michigan DNR in identifying violators of DNR Closure areas.

Traditionally, no military training is scheduled during this 16-day period, both for the safety of soldiers and for the benefit of those who want to enjoy the outdoors.

More information on hunting and non-hunting areas is available from Captain Bernie Peters at (517) 344-6158 or Major Ron Latuszek at (517) 344-6153.

Col. McConnell is joined by the Camp Grayling Conservation Club in encouraging all hunters to observe good sense and safety, by avoiding populated areas, being sure of their targets, and leaving the woods in as good condition as they are found.

# SENIOR BUFFETS

Senior Citizens from ages 50 & Up

**\$7.95** per person

add \$1.00 for Non-Seniors

Serving 5 to 9 pm

### November 4th:

Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Southwestern Corn

### November 11th:

New England Boiled Dinner, Ham, Cabbage, Potatoes & Carrots

### November 18th:

Oven Roasted Chicken, Potatoes AuGratin, Baby Peas

### November 25th:

Thanksgiving Day Dinner Call For Menu, Prices & Reservations

All dinners include salad bar, rolls & butter and dessert bar.

# Sunday Breakfast Buffet

**New Hours: 9:30 am - 2 pm**

Adults for \$6.95

Children 10 yrs. & Under for 1/2 Price

Featuring . . .

Fresh Fruit • Breakfast Meats

Omelettes Made to Order

Belgian Waffles • Hash Brown Potatoes

Sausage Gravy • Biscuits • French Toast

Visit our Underground Pub

Open Friday & Monday 6:00 - Close • Saturday & Sunday 12:00 - Close

Drink Specials, Pub Food and Karaoke

Pool Tables & Tournaments coming soon!!

# Shoppenagon's Inn

Historic Hotel - Bed & Breakfast

Casual Fine Dining - Banquet Facilities - Lobby Space Available

103 E. Mich. Ave. Grayling

348-6071 • 1-888-385-6071

# NavTalk™

The Two-Way  
Communication  
Power of Cellular  
Technology With  
The Precision  
Navigation Ability  
Of The Global  
Positioning System  
In One Simple  
Hand-Held  
Package.



GARMIN.

# The Talk Of The Town

Marine • Recreational • Mobile

- **CELLULAR** - NavTalk™ is a high performance cellular phone with exceptional features.
- **GPS RECEIVER** - Twelve parallel channel receiver allows for quick satellite acquisitions and reliable signal reception.
- **SIMPLE TO USE** - Featuring a map page which scrolls seamlessly as you move, a compass page, a 3D virtual highway page, one keystroke waypoint marking, and a simple-to-use software system for custom configuration.
- **BUILT TOUGH** - Rugged, waterproof design withstands the harshest marine environment.

Priced At Only \$399\*

WITH 2-YEAR SERVICE CONTRACT. OTHER RESTRICTIONS APPLY.

**CELLULARONE**

**CALL 1-800-CELL ONE**

FOR THE AGENT NEAREST YOU

# HOME SWEET HOME

3 E-Z WAYS TO OWN A NEW HOME

**1 TRADE IN YOUR OLD MOBILE HOME**



### REDMAN MANOR SPECIAL

State Code Modular Model M3032S

28'x64'

Basement Ready! Best selling floor plan - Island Kitchen, Family Room, Morning Room, 100% Finished Drywall, Pine Trim Birch Interior Doors, Plus Much More!

DOCA  
CODE  
CONSTRUCTION

**\$66,572**

Delivered & Set

**2 USE YOUR LAND FOR DOWN PAYMENT\***

**LARGE SELECTION OF SINGLE WIDE HOMES ON DISPLAY LOT MODEL SPECIAL**

14'x64'

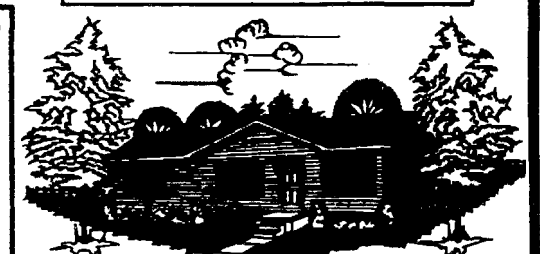
- \* TWO BEDROOM
- \* ONE BATH
- \* VINYL SIDING
- \* THERMO WINDOWS

**PLUS MORE!**

**ONLY**

**\$256** per mo.

**3 AS LOW AS 5% DOWN FOR LAND & HOME PACKAGE**



### RIDGEDALE SECTIONAL

28'x52'

3 Bedroom, Two Baths, Walk-in Closets, Island Kitchen, Glamor Master Bath, Maximum Insulation, Vinyl Windows, Plus Much More!

As Low As **\$285** per mo.

# NORTH COUNTRY HOMES

8515 E. M-115 • Cadillac, MI 49601

www.northcountryhomes.org

Open House: Monday, November 8, 10am-5pm

5 DOWN • 9-10 • 20 YEARS

**(231) 775-1326**

Still Time To  
Be In Your  
NEW HOME  
This Year

# RIALTO

FALL & WINTER SCHEDULE Admission  
7 & 9 PM FRI. & SAT. Adults - \$5.00  
7:30 ONLY SUN.-THURS. Children under 12 - \$3.00

# This Week's Movie Is

Nov. 5 - Nov. 11

"THE MOST WONDERFUL AND ROMANTIC MOVIE OF THE YEAR!"

"A POWERFUL PIECE OF MOVIE-MAKING!"



A CLASSIC!

SIZZLING!

ROMANTIC!

A PERFECT 10!

THE STORY OF US

BRUCE WILLIS

MICHELLE PFEIFFER

• Wednesday Bargain  
Night  
\$3.00 per person

• Friday & Saturday  
7:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.

• Sunday-Thursday  
7:30 p.m. only



# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

## Democrats' caucus struggle may bear fruit

**MICHIGAN DEMOCRATS'** losing attempt to move their 2000 presidential caucus ahead on the calendar appears over for now.

But the losing effort for 2000 could help a broader struggle for 2004 -- namely, to make more sense out of the present inane mix of party caucuses, conventions and primaries to choose presidential candidates.

Political eyes focus on New Hampshire and Iowa when a presidential election year rolls around.

New Hampshire owns the time-honored role as first presidential primary in the nation, probably next year on February 1.

Iowa plans party caucuses, probably on January 24, 2000, to pick presidential delegates.

These two small, non-typical states have become a vital indicator of who will win and who won't among presidential candidates.

Thus they can shape American political events out of all proportion to their size, number of voters involved, and importance

of the events themselves.

It simply is not a sane way to pick presidential nominees. It's not fair either. But that's the way it is.

**MICHIGAN DEMOCRATS** sought to move their caucus into February so they could be a more meaningful part of the action.

The national party said "no" and turned down South Carolina, Arizona and Washington state for February dates, too.

So Michigan Democrats will hold caucuses March 11, three weeks earlier than last time, but further back in the nominating procedure than they wanted.

Michigan Republicans also crave more early influence in picking a president. Not needing national party approval, the GOP controlled legislature moved the Republican primary from mid-March to February 22, 2000.

Michigan politicians are not alone chafing under the Iowa-New Hampshire hammer-

lock on early politics. Louisiana Republicans may think they have a right to move ahead.

"Do they (Iowa officials) think they're going to be first forever?" asked Louisiana GOP chair Mike Francis. "That's un-American."

New Hampshire lawmakers have their own solution: A law permitting New Hampshire to move its primary to any time, just so it stays ahead of any other state.

**LEGITIMATE QUESTIONS** remain about the primary-caucus system for selecting presidential nominees.

Primaries may have outlived their usefulness as a reflective political exercise, and become merely an extension of the image-making power of modern methods of communication and mass persuasion.

Personal campaigning -- the heartbeat of the primary voting system -- may be outdated.

"The problem is that the electronic media

dominate this process," claims Dick Harpootlian, South Carolina Democratic chair.

"Going from state to state and showing the flag is getting irrelevant. The candidates can appear on a national news program and voters get to know them better than going to the fish fry."

That's why we are inundated with political ads on television, and that's where most campaign money goes. A 30-second TV spot gets a candidate into more homes than weeks of knocking on doors.

**BUT THE PRIMARY** system probably is here to stay -- at least for now.

The only other method that comes quickly to mind is a return to the so-called smoke-filled rooms of old-time political conventions, which might not be too popular these days in light of today's concern about political purity.

Still, I wish to see presidents produced by the primary-caucus system are any better

than those who emerged from smoke-filled rooms?

Michigan Democrats and others who challenged the early season domination by Iowa and New Hampshire are on the right track. Keeping it at may instill a bit more reason and fairness in the system.

This continuing struggle could result in a system of rotating regional primaries, to allow a different region to lead off the process each four year. It could restore comparable worth to voters from all the states.

Spreading out the primaries, with a reasonable time lapse between them, also could permit more logical consideration of candidates and their platforms.

Agitation for change is welcome. But the rotating regional primary system makes so much sense it probably will never happen.

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## Teacher wants to teach kids the desire to learn

To the editor,

I am a Detroit Public School teacher. I was on my way to school when I heard the news: The Detroit Public School teachers have decided to strike.

As a high school teacher, I just hoped we had a very good reason for doing so. It had to be good enough to overcome the resentment my students would feel toward me because of striking. The students tend to perceive the teachers NOT going to school as not caring about our students: we only care about our paychecks.

I immediately set out to find out the "issues" that warranted a strike. I only hoped they had something to do with school reform. After all, this was a three-year contract being negotiated. We settled for more

money last time and our students are still failing and dropping out in record numbers. Surely we wouldn't settle for more money again. Or, would we?

Sometimes (oftentimes), removing yourself from a situation is the best way to effectively study the situation. I knew I did not want to quit: The kids would think I was quitting on them. Instead, I made a picket sign: "FIRE ME... MY STUDENTS AREN'T LEARNING ANYWAY." It caught the attention of a few people passing by the school's Center Building.

To my amazement, one lady yelled out her car window, "Get back in the classroom!" Do I need to point out the irony in that? Needless to say, the sign did not get me fired. (Not even reprimanded.)

If not quit and not fired, then what?

The strike settled before I had decided, so I chose not to report to my school. I needed more time to figure out what to do. Yes, sometimes it takes time to arrive at a solution (answer) to a problem.

By the way, I taught mathematics. I remember making a picket sign asking something like, "How are our students supposed to learn math without analysis?" I don't recall exactly what it said, but I know who I gave it to. I gave it to a deaf boy who wanted to learn math a few years back.

Guess what? I was able to teach him. In fact, I've never been much of a teacher. But, give me a child who wants to learn and I can usually help them learn.

Does that mean children in Detroit don't want to learn? I'm not sure.

I am sure, however, of the following: An Osborn student was raped on the first day of school. The ripple effect of all the students walking to school with the fear they will be next must be tremendous.

I did not mention that I had also made a picket sign that said, "Give my contract to a Detroit cop." As far as I'm concerned, if the teachers really cared about the children, we should have held out until the Detroit Police got a contract. Maybe then, our kids can quit thinking about how to survive at the expense of thinking about graduating. Maybe if we waited for the police to get a contract, we could get additional officers hired to patrol the areas around our schools.

Maybe if we did those things, our children could arrive at school ready to learn mathematics. As it is now, if my students don't want to learn math, I don't blame them.

As such, I have decided I am no longer going to add stress to their lives by trying to teach it. If not in Detroit, then not anywhere. As soon as I have the money, I will be opening The Odyssey Academy where I can teach children to want to learn.

Denise M. Boutin  
(Formerly of Finney High School)  
Lewiston

## Halloween spirit brings back memories

To the editor,

This is in response to the Letters to the Editor of the October 28th issue of the *Avalanche*. I cannot believe so many people actually took Mike Shearer's announcement seriously.

First of all, the *Avalanche* would not publish it without being absolutely sure that it was a joke being done in the Halloween spirit and not to be taken seriously. They would also require a name and phone number of the person placing the ad.

Second, his announcement is kind of the same as going to a haunted house sponsored by a local Jaycees

or Rotary group and reading a sign before entering that makes statements about horrible things that could happen to one inside.

Third, I really don't think anyone would advertise where they live if they meant to do harm to children.

In my opinion, Mike Shearer has captured the Halloween spirit that I remember while growing up. Halloween was a night where one wanted to be scared because it was fun. It was what Halloween was all about. I do not see much of that anymore.

Carol Wakeley  
Grayling

## The ad was 'stupid'

To the editor,

What in the world could Mr. Shearer have been thinking about when he placed his "stupid" ad? Certainly not the children and parents in Grayling.

What in the world could the *Avalanche* have been thinking about when they accepted and ran the "stupid" ad for Mr. Shearer? Certainly not the children and parents in Grayling.

When our children make "stupid" remarks in schools that threaten oth-

ers, what do we do? We expel them from school, have them arrested and ruin their lives forever.

What in the world is our law enforcement and our legal system doing about this matter? I hope it's something positive, for the sake of our children and parents of Grayling.

Apologies are fine, but after all, what in the world do you expect.

Art Evon, Jr.  
Grayling

**CRAWFORD COUNTY**  
**AVALANCHE**  
P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738 517-636-6611 FAX 517-636-6906

<b>Amy DuBay</b> Composition	<b>Linda Golnick</b> General Manager	<b>Debbie St. Germain</b> Advertising Sales
<b>Chris Kenney</b> Composition	<b>Connie Beard</b> Production Manager	<b>Betty Pearl</b> Advertising Sales
<b>Anne D. Toprak</b> Composition	<b>Cheryl Ruley</b> Staff Writer	<b>Sandra Colleen</b> Business Office
<b>Susan Warrington</b> Composition	<b>Caleb Casey</b> Staff Writer	<b>Stacie Mead</b> Business Office

Published by Crawford County Avalanche, Inc., Ann Marie Milliman, president  
Member of the Michigan Press Association and the National Newspaper Association.

USPS 136-860 Entered as Periodicals at the Post Office at Grayling, MI 49738 under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1919. Published each Tuesday at 102 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738. For changing address, send US Post Office Form 3579 to the Crawford County Avalanche, P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738.

Subscription Rates: One year permanent subscription in Crawford, Roscommon, Kalkaska, Otsego, and Oscoda counties, \$16.00. Seasonal address changes add \$4.00. One year non-local, outside above counties, \$24.00. Foreign Countries, \$52.00. Senior Citizen discount (60 or older) \$1.00 off any of the above rates. Subscriptions rates are non-refundable.  
Check us out on the Internet at [www.townnews.com/avalanche/](http://www.townnews.com/avalanche/)

**AVALANCHE DEADLINES**

Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

## VIEWPOINT

by Jeffery Hawkins, Director of G.R.A.C.E. Center

## Check counselors' credentials before receiving treatment

There are times in all our lives when we need help. These are difficult times for many with stress coming from many places that impact us. We may experience depression, anxiety, difficulty parenting our children, problems at work, stress about the upcoming holidays, or any combination of these things.

For some, the use or abuse of alcohol or other drugs may provide temporary relief, only to find that the use of these substances causes further problems. This downhill spiral can cause further confusion, depression, legal troubles, problems on the job or in school, or problems in our families. When these problems become overwhelming, we may find ourselves in need of counseling.

Turning to professional help may seem like a weakness, but in fact, it takes courage and strength to be willing to tackle one's problems with the aid of a counselor. Unfortunately, however, there are few choices for counseling in this area. A quick look through the Yellow Pages shows that there are not many options for help. In addition, even if a counselor or counseling agency is found, there is little information to judge whether the help will truly be helpful.

As we enter November, "Depression Awareness Month," there are several key points to be made when choosing a counselor that every person should know. After all, you or a loved one may be depending on quality counseling to help deal with important life issues. You deserve to make an informed choice.

First, a counselor or counseling agency should be licensed. It is perfectly appropriate to ask whether the agency is licensed, by whom, how long they have been licensed, and when the license expires. Most often, the license is displayed on a wall so you can see for yourself. Most agencies that provide counseling are required by the State to have a license. Having a license means that the counselor or agency meets certain standards set by the State. These standards include ways of protecting the client's rights and confidentiality, as well as basic components of quality care. If a counselor or agency is not licensed, the consumer may want to find another place to get the help they need.

Second, does the counselor (or counselors) have the training and credentials for the type of counsel-

ing needed? All counselors and therapists are required to have credentials for the job they are doing.

It may come as a shock to learn that there may be persons in Crawford County who are providing counseling that have no credentials or professional training in their field. Just because a person claims to be a counselor or advertises counseling does not mean they are qualified. The analogy I often use is this: Just because I have a drill, this does not make me a dentist - even if I advertise myself as one or because someone may let me use it in their mouth (which fortunately, nobody has so far).

The wise consumer will ask what credentials a therapist has, which again are often publicly displayed. If the counselor or therapist does not have a current credential, they must be supervised by an experienced therapist who does have the necessary credential. If a counselor does not have a professional credential, then ask who their supervisor is and how long he/she has been in practice. It will probably do little good to go to a counselor who does not have a professional credential or who is not supervised.

Third, is the organization accredited? Just as schools are required to be accredited, accrediting agencies should as well. Accredited counseling organizations meet national standards for quality care. Most insurance plans, as well as the state and federal government will not pay for counseling from a place that is not accredited. Being accredited is much more difficult than getting a license for counseling, and those that are accredited are much more likely to provide the care that you, the consumer, want. Again, the accreditation certificate should be displayed openly for you to see.

These are the basics for finding out if a counselor, therapist, or agency can help you or a loved one. It is very appropriate to ask if the counselor or agency has a license, if the counselors have credentials or are supervised by someone who does, and if the organization is accredited.

Going to counseling is difficult. It takes time, energy, and money. The potential threat would be well advised to ask about these issues before counseling begins.

*Jeffery Hawkins is the Director of G.R.A.C.E. Center, a state-licensed, CARF accredited, substance abuse counseling agency in Grayling.*

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of *The Crawford County Avalanche*.

# BRIEFS

## St. Mary's hosts Christmas Bazaar

St. Mary's Catholic Church will host its annual Christmas Bazaar, November 5-6, at the Family Center on Spruce Street in Grayling. The bazaar includes bake sale, arts and crafts sale, white elephant sale, silent auction, a cash prize raffle and Kid's Korner (for kids only). Friday hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Lunch will be available each day. For more information, call Rita Sarrault at 348-8189.

## Red Cross schedules next blood drive

The Crawford County Red Cross will hold a blood drive at Frederic Elementary School from 12 noon to 5:45 p.m. on Thursday, November 4. All blood types are needed. Donors must be at least 17 years old and weigh at least 110 pounds.

## Rep. Bradstreet plans stop in Grayling

State Representative Ken Bradstreet (R-Gaylord) has scheduled office hours with Crawford County residents on Friday, November 5, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Crawford County Courthouse Circuit Court Room, located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue in Grayling. No appointment is necessary. For more information, call Bradstreet toll free at 1-877-KEN-4-105.

## Museum plans Antique Appraisalthon

On Saturday, November 6, the Jesse Besser Museum in Alpena will host an *Antique Appraisalthon*, to benefit the Northeastern Michigan Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association and the museum. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Ernest DuMouchelle of DuMouchelle's Art Galleries will give verbal appraisals on paintings, antique jewelry and guns, china, crystal, silver, tools, or any other antiques, collectibles or family heirlooms. For large pieces such as furniture, bring a good color photograph of the entire piece along with one drawer or removable section indicative of the finish and hardware. Cost is \$5 per item, with a limit of five items per person. No reservations will be accepted. Everyone will be served on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call Bob Haltiner at the museum, at (517) 356-2202.

## Area Girl Scouts now taking orders

The Girl Scouts are taking cookie orders through November 16, with deliveries beginning December 6. Four new troops have been formed in the area as a result of successful recruitment of adult volunteers, so there are plenty of scouts to take cookie orders. If you don't know a Girl Scout, but would like to place an order, call the Grayling Cookie Hotline at 348-9352.

## GRA offers boys basketball camp

Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) is offering a basketball camp for boys in grades 4-6, starting on Saturday, November 13. Cost for participation in the camp will be \$20 prior to November 6, and \$25 after November 6. Fee includes a T-shirt, certificate, player evaluation and five weeks of instructional basketball. (Money is available for those athletes who cannot afford the program.) Camp will take place (from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Grayling High School): November 13, November 20, December 4, December 11, and December 18. For more information, call the GRA at 348-9266.

## Macomers to perform in dinner show

The Macomers, one of Michigan's premier vocal/instrumental show choirs, will perform at 8 p.m. in the Evergreen Room at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Thursday, November 4. Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Dinner consists of a choice of whitefish or prime rib with potato, vegetable, salad, non-alcoholic beverage and dessert. Tickets for this performance are \$22.50 per person, and includes dinner, tax and tip. Tickets may be purchased by calling 348-7641 ext 123/120.

## Bazaar planned next week by St. John

St. John Lutheran Church, located at 710 Spruce Street in Grayling, will hold a bazaar and craft sale on Saturday, November 13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Soup and desserts will be served. For more information, call Dorothy McLeod at 348-9169.

## Sheriff closes office for Y2K update

The administrative portion of the Crawford County Sheriff's office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 4-5 for computer updating, training, and Year 2000 compliance.

## Band Boosters sell fruit, gift baskets

The Viking Band Boosters' Annual Citrus Fruit and Gift Basket Sale will run from November 12-22. The Boosters are working with a new company this year therefore, there are new products offered. Get an order form from any band student or at Grayling Pharmacy. Pick-up date is scheduled for Saturday, December 11, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Grayling Elementary School.

## Abundant Life hosts special meetings, guest speakers

Beginning on Saturday, November 6, the Abundant Life Tabernacle, located at 211 Shellenbarger Street in Grayling, will host a week of special meetings.

The week starts with a sing fest at 7 p.m. on November 6, featuring the Gospel Notes of Brighton. A different speaker will minister the Word of God each night through November 12.

Service times will be 7 p.m., with the exception of Sunday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome on a come as you are basis.

For more information, call 348-5325.

## Volunteers sought for baseball field project

The Grayling High School baseball field will undergo a major maintenance project this weekend, as local volunteers work on installing a new infield, a new mound, a warning track, and a catchers box. The fences in right and left field will also be moved back.

Project organizers are still looking for volunteers to help out.

"We want to get as many bodies to help as we can," said Bob Gorski, one of the project leaders.

Volunteers are encouraged to bring shovels, rakes and wheelbarrows to the field this weekend.

The project will start at 8 a.m. on

Saturday, November 6, and will conclude around 6 p.m.

At about 11:30 a.m., lunch will be provided to all volunteers. Burger King will be supplying burgers and drinks, and there will be chili from the Gray Rock Cafe.

The work at the field is being completed with funds appropriated for the project by the CASD Board of Education, about \$13,500.

The field is used by the GHS baseball teams, local Legion teams, Senior League, and Big League.

For more information call Tom Coors at 348-3364 or Dave Schreiber at 348-5858.

## Planning under way for annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

by Cheryl Ryley  
Staff Writer

The 6th Annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner, hosted by St. John Lutheran Church of Grayling, is now in the planning stages.

The annual dinner is free to everyone who wishes to partake of a traditional Thanksgiving meal, complete with turkey, cranberry, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, sauce and pumpkin pie. Last year, more than 400 meals were served.

The dinner's founder, Therese Kaiser, said the dinner is meant to bring the community together and leave no one alone or without a meal on such an important American holiday as we give thanks for God's abundant blessings.

The dinner will be held from 12 noon until 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25 at the Grayling Knights of Columbus Hall at 604 Norway Street.

Free deliveries to shut-ins can be scheduled by calling Sally at 348-9418 or St. John Church at 348-5224.

Anyone wishing to volunteer their services to help prepare, serve or deliver this very popular meal should contact Kaiser at 348-7651.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to help pay for the meal, can simply fill in and mail a donation with the slip provided below.

All proceeds from the meal will help area charities including the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center.

## 6th Annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner hosted by St. John Lutheran Church

I would like to donate the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to help make a free Thanksgiving dinner possible for everyone in our community.

Make check or money order payable to:

CATC  
P.O. Box 44  
Grayling, MI 49738

## Learn to build your own snowshoes

Hartwick Pines State Park will be hosting the fourth annual snowshoe building workshops beginning November 20. Participants will learn how to build a pair of snowshoes.

Seven workshops will be held on the following Saturdays: November 20, December 4 and 18; January 8 and 22; and February 12 and 26, at the Michigan Forest Visitor Center in Hartwick Pines State Park from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

During the workshops, participants will learn about the history of snowshoes and their use. Also provided are detailed instructions to finish snowshoes if they are not completed during the workshop.

Participants should wear comfortable clothes and bring a brown-bag lunch. Hot beverages will be provided.

The one-day workshop is \$120, and includes the materials to build

the snowshoes. A \$20 non-refundable reservation fee is required. For more information, please call Kate DeVries at (517) 348-2537.

Hartwick Pines State Park is on M-93, seven miles north of Grayling, exit 259 off I-75.

A vehicle pass is required to enter Hartwick Pines State Park. Seasonal passes are \$20, day passes are \$4, and camping is \$14 a night.




**Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts**  
along with  
**Griffin Beverage Company**  
present



**TROUT FISHING IN AMERICA**  
A Musical Comedy Duo

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1999**  
**8:00 P.M.**

**Tickets Prices: \$18 - \$16 - \$14**  
**Family of 5 (2 Adults, 3 Children) \$32.50(B)-\$30.00(C)**

**GILBERT I. STEWART AUDITORIUM**  
**10775 North Saint Helen Road, Roscommon, MI 48653**  
To make a reservation or for more information, contact the  
**Kirtland Ticket Office at 517-275-6777**  
Visit our website: [kirtland.cc.mi.us/~kcpahome/](http://kirtland.cc.mi.us/~kcpahome/)

*Quality Inn of West Branch - Exclusive Accommodations Sponsor*  
*NewsChannel 7&4 - Exclusive Television Sponsor*

## WHAT KIND OF RESPONSES WOULD YOUR INSURANCE AGENT RECEIVE FROM A LETTER LIKE THIS?

"CLAIM HANDLED WITH SWIFTNES"

"COURTEOUS, PROFESSIONAL STAFF"

"DEALING WITH YOU IS A PLEASURE"

"PROMPT WITH CLAIM"

"YOU'RE NOT MY AGENTS, YOU'RE MY FRIENDS"

"EXCELLENT SERVICE"

"COMPETITIVE PRICING"

"TREATED COURTEOUSLY AND WITH RESPECT"

"MADE US FEEL COMFORTABLE"

"AGENCY VERY HELPFUL IN KEEPING US INFORMED"

"LOCAL, RESPONSIVE AND HELPFUL"

"CALL BACKS WERE VERY PROMPT"


"QUESTIONS ARE ALWAYS ANSWERED GRACEFULLY AND POLITELY"

"INSURANCE PERSONNEL WERE COURTEOUS AND PROFESSIONAL"

"I COULD ASK FOR NO BETTER SERVICE"

"WE RECEIVED SAME DAY RESULTS WITH CLAIM"

**PUT US TO WORK FOR YOU!**



**Cornell Agency, Inc. Insurance**

PO BOX 527, M-72 AT I-75, GRAYLING, MI 49738 • 517-348-6761 • FAX 517-344-9059

**Abundant Life hosts special meetings, guest speakers**

Beginning on Saturday, November 6, the Abundant Life Tabernacle, located at 211 Shellenbarger Street in Grayling, will host a week of special meetings.

The week starts with a sing fest at 7 p.m. on November 6, featuring the Gospel Notes of Brighton. A different speaker will minister the Word of God each night through November 12.

Service times will be 7 p.m., with the exception of Sunday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome on a come as you are basis.

For more information, call 348-5325.

**Want to Look Good and Feel Good for the Holidays?**

**Visit A Sharper Image**

- Wigs Cleaned & Styled •
- Full Line of Joico & BioLage Products •
- 10% Off Tanning Packages with This Ad •
- Senior 10% Discounts Everyday •

**A Full Service Salon**  
Evening Appointments Available Upon Request



**ALPINE carpet**  
*Largest Selection in the North!*

**65% OFF**  
Grabber Blinds

**NO PAYMENTS - DEFERRED INTEREST UNTIL 2001!**



**Wood Flooring, Ceramic Tile**



**Serving surrounding communities for 26 years**



**Laminated & Vinyl Flooring**



**50,000 Square Yards in Stock! Over 1,000 Remnants Sizes 3'x12' to 12'x40'**



**See Jerry, Rich or Vince for over 100 years of combined experience in the flooring business**



**Carpeting in Barbers, Plushes, Textures, Sculptures & Commercial**

**517-732-1759 • 1-800-800-5791**

JUST OFF I-75, EXIT 270, WATERS, MI



# The Bible Speaks

## Anti-Christian Hatred

Governor Jesse Ventura, is reported saying that, "Organized religion is a sham and a crutch for weak-minded people who need strength in numbers. It tells people to go out and stick their noses in other people's business." Later, the governor's spokesman, John Wodele, sought to clarify his comments, saying Ventura "was talking about extremists of the religious right who are often intolerant, and the governor cannot stand intolerance." Did Ventura create public love or hate when he stated or implied religious people are hypocrites, handicapped, stupid, weak, cowardly, nosy, extremists, and intolerant?

Remember after the April 1995 bombing of a federal building in Oklahoma City, President Clinton named G. Gordon Liddy among the conservative talk-show hosts he called "purveyors of hatred and division," saying they were "encouraging violence." Bryant Gumbel said on the "Today" show "The bombing at Oklahoma City has focused renewed attention on the rhetoric that's been coming from the right and those who cater to angry white men." Every conservative group from religious leaders to the militia was blamed.

Yet following the shooting of Christians in a Baptist church in Fort Worth, Texas, the president said, "Yet again, we have seen a sanctuary violated by gun violence, taking children brimming with faith and promise and hope

before their time." There was blame on gun violence, and a renewed call for gun control, yet no blame for hatred and hostility toward religion created by liberals like the American Civil Liberties Union and people for the American Way. Even the facts were seemingly ignored as "NBC's Jim Cummins reported 'Authorities say the gunman then entered the church sanctuary ranting anti-religious curses and opened fire.' Newsweek quoted witnesses who said Ashbrook shouted, 'I can't believe you believe this junk!' ABC's Dean Reynolds said the FBI found 'writing that condemned religion and law enforcement.' Yet, Attorney General Janet Reno warned reporters that it was too early to characterize the Fort Worth shooting as a 'hate crime.' Earlier when three students were killed while praying at a Paducah high school, and when Cassie Bernal and others were killed while affirming their faith at Columbine HS, the TV networks never raised the issue of religious bias or anti-Christian hatred as a cause.

As Wesley Pruden, editor in chief of The Times, said, "What's obvious, to anyone who isn't sound asleep, is that the secular assault on religious faith, the partisan campaign to demonize evangelical Christians, the relentless attempt to drive all expression of religious faith from the public square and with it our ancient moral code, and above all the determina-

tion of the irreligious to destroy society's traditional respect for faith, is having a cumulative effect." Thousands of early Christians were martyred for their faith by the Roman government. The common charge against them was "odium humani generis" of hatred of the human race. Christians were the ones accused of creating a 'climate of hate' in the Roman Empire. Today when Christians are being characterized as hypocrites, handicapped, stupid, weak, cowardly, nosy, intolerant, and extremists, they are being publicly branded as the promoters of hate and destruction within society. Christ told his disciples in Luke 21:17: "And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake."

"Pastor "B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Hearthland/Ranch/1263/>

We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn Bible prophecy for Y2K and beyond. Join us in a verse study of the book of Revelations each Sunday morning at 10:30 am.

"The Bible Speaks" is paid for by concerned Christians who support Grayling Calvary Baptist Church and who assume full responsibility for its content.

## Take time to honor veterans November 11

### • VFW to host Veterans Day ceremonies

by Marie Scott  
VFW Ladies Auxiliary

Veterans Day is approaching. It gives this country an opportunity to take time to honor all veterans and their contributions made to keep this country free.

November 11 at 11 a.m., Veterans of Foreign Wars, Carl W. Borchers Post 3736 and the Ladies Auxiliary are asking all veterans and civic organizations to gather at the American Legion Post 106 in Grayling to observe Veterans Day. Arriving early is recommended as the ceremonies will begin promptly at 11 a.m.

A luncheon and refreshments will be served in the American Legion Hall following the 11 a.m. ceremonies.

This tradition of Veterans Day

started out with the ceremony of a World War I Unknown Soldier being buried in Arlington National Cemetery in 1921. This became the focal point of reverence for America's veterans.

Veterans Day, also known as Armistice Day, was originally celebrated in recognition of the ending of World War I. This observance took place at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month.

Armistice Day officially received its name in America in 1926 through a Congressional Resolution. It became a national

holiday 12 years later in 1938. Armistice Day was meant to celebrate the "end of the war to end all wars."

When World War II broke out, the meaning needed to change. Armistice Day was then changed to Veterans Day, an occasion to honor those who have served America in all wars and in peacetime.

In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day. The traditions for celebration remained the same. Be sure to thank a veteran this November 11.

## Hospice offers help with grief

Feeling lost and angry or depressed over the loss of a loved one? Grief involves many feelings. At times we need the help of others to guide us through our grief.

Mercy Amicare Homecare & Hospice offers Bereavement Support Groups each month at the following locations:

- Grayling - St. Mary's Learning Center, 702 Peninsular, 1st and 3rd Thursday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
- Houghton Lake - United

Methodist Church, 7059 W. Houghton Lake Drive, 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The Mio group held at the Mio Church of God has been temporarily discontinued.

Bereavement support groups are being re-evaluated and new programs will be announced in the spring of 2000.

For more information, feel free to contact the Hospice office at 1-800-424-1457 or (517) 348-4383.

## Church Directory

### Trickling Toward Tomorrow

There is something about human nature which makes us want everything "five minutes ago." In this "instant society," why shouldn't we? Why trickle toward tomorrow? Follow a trickling brook? Such a tiny stream that meanders merrily along. Perhaps it is joyful knowing that one day it will be part of a mighty ocean, powerfully pounding the shore. Yet, the brook is happy in the meantime, growing naturally into a stream and then a river, increasing in size and might mile by mile on a journey toward the sea. It is God's plan.

On the journey toward our goals, we must begin slowly, growing through experience in such qualities as patience, humility, and wisdom along the way until we are groomed for greatness. To be great, our souls must be rooted in spiritual principles.

Our soul will grow as we worship each week. Through worship and growth, God's plan for you will unfold.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
John 8:31-59	Revelations 4:1-11	Revelations 5:1-14	Psalm 100	Psalm 104	Psalm 105	Psalm 111

Scriptures Selected by The American Bible Society  
Copyright 1999, Keister-Williams Newspaper Services, P. O. Box 8005, Charlottesville, VA 22906

**Christian Science Society**  
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord  
Sunday Service... 10:30 am  
April through October  
2nd Wednesday... 8 pm

**Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Pastor Jeffrey Jagers  
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2974  
Barrier Free

Sunday Worship... 8:30 & 11 am  
Sunday School - Sept. - May... 9:45 to 10:45  
Sunday Radio Ministry... 8 am, 101.1 WQON  
Bible Study (Wed.)... 10 am

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor Jeff Arthur  
Phone 348-4033  
Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).  
Church Service... 9:30 am  
Sabbath School... 10:30 am  
Prayer Meeting Tues... 7 pm

**Burning Bush Tabernacle**  
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278  
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling  
Sunday School... 10 am  
Sunday Service & Children's Church... 11 am  
Sunday Evening Service... 7 pm  
Monday Prayer Meeting... 7 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study... 7 pm  
Thursday Discipleship Class... 7 pm  
Significant Singles Monday... 7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor  
701 S. I-75 Business Loop  
Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588  
Sunday School... 9:30 am  
Morning Worship... 10:30 am  
Evening Service... 6 pm  
Wednesday - Family Night  
Adult-Youth-Children... 7 pm

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**  
President Larry A. Cook  
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord  
Sacrament... 10 am  
Sunday School... 11 am  
Primary... 11 am  
Priesthood... 12 noon  
Relief Society... 12 noon

**Emma Lowery United Church of Christ**  
Pastor, James Briney  
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne  
Sunday Worship... 11 am  
Adult and Youth Sunday School... 9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411  
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.  
1/4 mile west of I-75  
Sunday School... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship... 11 am  
Evening Worship... 6 pm  
Wednesday... 7 pm

**St. John Lutheran (ELCA)**  
710 Spruce Street  
348-5224  
Sunday School... 9:15 am  
Sunday Worship... 10:30 am  
Nursery is available

**Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**  
Pastor Patricia Fowler  
North Down River Rd. at 1030 Glenn Rd.  
P.O. Box 1188  
Church School... 9:45 am  
Preaching... 11 am  
Midweek Service Prayer... 7 pm

**Gaylord Christian Reformed**  
Rev. V. Schaap  
415 Ohio North, Gaylord  
Sunday School... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship... 11 am  
Evening Service... 6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study... 7:30 pm

**St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community**  
Robert W. Nalley, J.V., Pastor  
700-708 Peninsular - 348-7657  
Sabbath Eucharist  
Saturday Vigil Mass... 6 pm  
Sunday Masses... 8:00 am  
Family Mass... 10:00 am  
Scripture Study (Sundays)... 9:15 am  
Daily Masses  
Wednesday & Fridays... 8:30 am

**First Baptist Church of Frederic**  
Pastor Dale Hammond  
Sunday School... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship... 11 am  
Evening Worship... 6 pm  
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study... 7 pm  
Blessing Radio (Internet)  
<http://blessing-radio.com>

**Calvary Baptist Church**  
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor  
M-72 West  
Sunday School... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship... 10:30 am  
Evening Worship... 6 pm  
Mid-Week Services  
Wednesday... 7 pm  
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.)... 7 pm

**Church of Christ**  
Gordon French, Pastor  
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd. • 275-8613  
Sunday Classes... 10 am  
Sunday Worship... 11 am  
Sunday Evening... 6 pm  
Wednesday  
Mid-Week Bible Study... 7 pm

**Bear Lake Christian**  
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.  
Sunday School... 9 am  
Sunday Service... 10 am

**The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message**  
Pastor Dohn E. Weaver  
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic  
Sunday Worship... 10 am & 7 pm  
Wed. Prayer Service... 7 pm

**Abundant Life Tabernacle**  
Pastor Lyle Studer  
211 Shellenbarger St. • 348-5325  
Sunday School... 10 am  
Sunday Worship... 11 am & 6:30 pm  
Wednesday Evening... 7 pm

**Grayling Baptist Church**  
Affiliated with S.B.C.  
Pastor Terry Colby  
Meeting at Hanson Hills • 348-2557  
Sunday School... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship... 11 am  
Evening Service... 6 pm  
Wednesday Service... 7 pm

**Harvest Time Church of God**  
Pastor Fred Coates  
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska  
(616) 258-3448  
Sunday School... 10 am  
Worship Service... 11 am & 6 pm  
Family Training Hour and Prayer  
Wednesday... 7 pm

**Lovells Chapel**  
Pastor Rev. D. Dean Coursey  
Sunday School... 10 am  
Chapel Service... 11 am  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting... 7-8 pm

**Free Methodist**  
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor  
6652 W. Kalkaska Rd. (M-72 W.) • 348-5362  
Sunday School... 10 am  
Morning Service... 11 am  
Evening Service... 6 pm  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday)... 7 pm

**Mt. Hope Evangelical Lutheran--Missouri Synod**  
Rev. Paul Boerger, Pastor  
905 N. I-75 Bus. Lp. • 348-5921 • 348-6504  
Sunday Worship... 8 & 10:30 am  
Sunday School & Bible Study... 9:15 am  
Tuesday Night School... 5:30 pm  
Wednesday am Bible Study... 9 am

**St. Francis Episcopal**  
Rev. Robert Henley  
M-72 West - Office 348-5850  
Sunday Holy Eucharist... 8:30 & 10:30 am  
Morning Praise... 10:30 am  
(the second Sunday of each month)  
Adult & Children's Sunday School... 9:30 am  
Sunday nursery provided... 10:30 am  
by Licensed Daycare Professional  
Adult Choir Practice (Wednesday)... 6:45 pm

**St. Martins Ev. Lutheran (Wels)**  
Herbert R. Filter - Pastor  
For information call 275-5443  
Services held at the Roscommon Community Center, Sunday mornings at 9 am, 510 South St., Roscommon, MI.

**Luzerne Baptist**  
Pastor James Durfee  
2247 Durfee Lane  
Sunday School... 10 am  
Sunday Morning Worship... 11 am  
Sunday Evening Worship... 6 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study... 7 pm

**Unity of Gaylord**  
Rex Franklin, Minister  
Otsego Twp. Hall, Waters • (517) 786-3913  
Sunday Services... 10:30 am  
Sunday School... 10:30 am

## This Church Directory is sponsored by the following community-minded individuals and businesses

**LADY SLIPPER & MARY'S CORNER BOOK SWAP**  
Mary Coy & Bill Coy  
203 Michigan • 348-4731

**GRAYLING REEL, INC.**  
4622 West Young Road  
Phone 348-5071 • Grayling

**GRAYLING GLASS COMPANY**  
Ken & Carol Taskey  
503 McClellan • Grayling • 348-6641

**HOLIDAY INN**  
2600 I-75 Bus. Loop South  
348-7611 • Grayling, Mich. 49738

**ELIAS BROTHERS' BIG BOY RESTAURANT**  
Stop in after church for brunch  
348-7654 • 2222 S. Grayling Rd.

**MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING**  
"Caring for the Quality of Your Life"  
1100 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling • 348-5461

**SUZANNE J. TOUPIN D.C. MILLTOWN CHIROPRACTIC**  
1406 I-75 Business Loop  
Grayling, MI 49738

**DON KERNSTOCK LICENSED BUILDER**  
New Home Construction  
Remodeling • Garages  
348-8945 • Grayling

**DAVIS JEWELRY**  
"Guaranteed Watch, Jewelry and Ring Repair in Our Own Shop."  
235 Michigan Ave. • Grayling, MI 49738

**CORNELL REALTY, INC. CORNELL AGENCY, INC. REAL ESTATE & INSURANCE**  
I-75 Bus. Loop South • Grayling, Mich.  
Phone 348-6761 and 348-6481

**HAMRICK REAL ESTATE CO.**  
J. Lee Hamrick, Owner-Broker  
I-75 BL • across from "Golden Arches"  
348-5433  
Home • 348-8336

**SUPERIOR JANITORIAL SERVICES, INC.**  
Commercial Cleaning Service  
Phone 348-2114

**COMFORT CENTER**  
"We Furnish the Comfort... the Rest is Up to You!"  
The Miracle Mile • Grayling • 348-2961

**OLD KENT BANK OF GAYLORD**  
Old US-27 North • Grayling • 348-5435

**CARLISLE PADDLES, INC.**  
348-9886 • 4562 E. North Down River Rd.  
Grayling, Mich. 49738

**HON. ALTON T. DAVIS**  
Circuit Court Judge

**ERNIE'S FLEA MARKET**  
Open 7 days, year-round • 348-5695  
7 miles west of Grayling on M-72

**CHEMICAL BANK NORTH**  
2500 I-75 Bus. Loop • 348-6511  
Grayling, Michigan 49738

**McLEAN'S ACE HARDWARE**  
Complete Hardware • Giftware  
Sporting Goods  
348-2931 • 209 South James • Grayling

**STEPHAN WOOD PRODUCTS**  
605 Huron • Grayling, MI

**NORTHERN APPRAISAL SERVICE**  
1380 Little John Ave. • Grayling, MI 49738  
(517) 348-4357

**JANSEN'S**  
Plumbing • Heating  
Fax 348-2010 • Phone 348-5571  
44 Years in Grayling

**MCDONALD'S RESTAURANT**  
"McDonald's and You"  
Breakfast served until 11 a.m. on Sundays  
I-75 Bus. Loop South • Ph. 348-2269  
Grayling, Michigan 49738

**DOORWAYS OF THE NORTH**  
Entrance Doors Made in Grayling  
Grayling, Mich. • 348-5426

**CENTURY 21 RIVER COUNTRY REAL ESTATE, INC.**  
Sandy & Randy Thompson  
2375 S. I-75 Bus. Loop • 348-5474

**MOORE'S AUTOMOTIVE**  
348-6371 • 201 James • Grayling

**COMPUTER CONSULTANTS, INC.**  
Neal Michal - Owner  
Complete Computer Service  
Grayling, MI (517) 348-6592

**JANSEN INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.**  
Complete Insurance Service  
348-6711 • 237D S. I-75 BL • Grayling

This Church Directory is used by residents and visitors.  
If you wish to show your support for area churches, call the **Avalanche**, 348-6811, to be included on this page.

# Scouts clear the way for trail riders and walkers

Hikers and bikers visiting the Wakeley Lake recreation area will find the trails easier to travel thanks to a clean up project by Boy Scout Troop 979 on October 16.

Armed with hatchets, saws and adult helpers with chain saws, the scouts removed fallen trees and brush from approximately 12 miles of scenic trails within the federal land, located ten miles east of Grayling.

John Ericson, forester with the U.S. Forest Service, was on hand to aid the clean up. He expressed his thanks to the troop, citing the difficulties the Forest Service has in maintaining the trails due to lack of time and manpower.

Boy Scout Brian Stewart, 16, planned the clean up to complete his Eagle service project, one of the last requirements needed to become an Eagle Scout.

To earn an Eagle Scout ranking, a scout must work his way through scout ranking - Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star and Life rankings: earn at least 21 merit badges, participate in leadership roles within the troop, and plan and lead a community service project.

Stewart, a home-schooled student in his junior year of high school, has been in scouting for eight years, beginning as a Cub Scout and joining Boy Scout Troop 979 in 1994.

"I encourage boys ages 11 and older to join the troop," said Stewart.

"We have weekly meetings and try to do an outdoor activity every month. We learn many outdoor and leadership skills and we have a lot of fun."

"When you complete a badge or a



Photo courtesy of Loren Goodale

**CLEAN UP CREW** - Boy Scout Troop 979 cleaned up Wakeley Lake recreation area trails on October 16. Involved with the clean up were: Back row, from left - Scott Malone, Loren Goodale, Brian Stewart, Marc Stewart, John Ericson. Front row, from left - Adam Malone, Richard Haight, Nick Grougan.

project, you have the satisfaction of knowing you've done something

worthwhile." Boys interested in joining the

troop may contact Scout Master Loren Goodale at 348-9414.

## Surplus food commodities to be distributed

Veterans of Foreign Wars Carl W. Borchers Post & Auxiliary 3736 will be distributing surplus food commodities on November 9 at the Eagles Hall from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Those not certified for the program must do so before receiving any commodities. Bring proof of income of all members in the household to be certified, as well as identification of the head of household.

Those who receive Food Stamps, AFDC, SSI, Medicaid or General Assistance are eligible for this program. Any residents of Crawford County that believes they may qualify must bring proof of gross income (total cash receipts before

taxes) for every working person in the household. Also bring personal identification for the head of the household - a drivers license is preferable. If income is directly deposited, bring in a current bank statement. Those with no income must bring in a statement from Social Services to that effect or an eligibility card from any of the above mentioned programs.

A Household is a single individual or group of related or non-related individuals, an immediate family or extended family who are living as one economic unit and for whom food is customarily purchased and prepared in common.

Eligibility is based on wages and salaries before deductions; receipts from non-farm and farm self-employment; regular payments from Social Security, railroad retirement, unemployment compensation, strike benefits, veterans' benefits, public assistance including Supplemental Security Income (SSI), training stipends, alimony, private pensions, government employee pensions, and regular insurance or annuity payments; and income from dividends, interest, rent, royalties, or periodic receipts from estates or trusts.

Exempt incomes are: capital gains, tax refunds, student loans,

Medicare premiums deducted from Social Security and child support.

Food products and funding are made available to the states on the basis of the number of persons unemployed and those below the poverty level.

\*Please do not call the Eagles for information on this program.

## Say 'Thank You' to a Vet with free e-card

Veterans Day is November 11, but you probably will not find a greeting card in your favorite shop.

With 26 million veterans in the nation, The American Legion realizes many people would like to say a special "Thank You" to a veteran. That is why the nation's largest war-time veterans organization is offering a free e-mail card.

"Many people forget that young military men and women serving today are veterans. Just about anywhere they are serving they have access to e-mail and receiving a special 'Veterans Day' card would be a nice surprise," National Commander Alan G. Lance, Sr., said.

This is the second year The American Legion has offered the cards. "Response last year was excellent, so we expanded the service to offer branch of service

cards with music. Naturally, there is plenty of room for the personal message," Lance said.

The Veterans Day Card service is accessed directly from The American Legion's homepage at [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org). Once at the site, it is a simple matter to follow the instructions and send your special greetings.

"Throughout the last half of this century, American men and women in uniform served in nearly every region of the world. Because of our veterans, we have the freedoms our founding fathers longed to preserve," Lance said.

"I hope millions of Americans will send an e-card to a veteran they know. It will just take you a moment to send the card, but it could mean much more to the person receiving it," said Lance.



### Gaylord Cinema West

**Double Jeopardy - R (PG)**  
Starring - Tommy Lee Jones & Ashley Judd  
• 7 & 9 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4

**Superstar - PG-13 (R)**  
Starring - Molly Shannon & Will Ferrell  
• 7 & 9 nightly • Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4

**The House On Haunted Hill - R (PG)**

Starring - Geoffrey Rush  
• 7:15 & 9:15 nightly  
• Sat. & Sun. 2:15 & 4:15

**The Story Of Us - R (PG)**

Starring - Bruce Willis & Michelle Pfeiffer  
• 7:15 & 9:15 nightly  
• Sat. & Sun. 2:15 & 4:15

**The Insider - R (PG)**  
Starring - Al Pacino & Russell Crowe  
• 7:15 nightly  
• Sat. & Sun. 2:15

**The Bone Collector - R (R)**  
Starring - Denzel Washington & Angelina Jolie  
• 7 & 9:15 nightly  
• Sat. & Sun. 2 & 4:15

#### SPECIAL NOTE:

Superstar ends on Tuesday and Poke'mon rated G begins on Wednesday Nov. 10th.

Evenings - Adults \$5.50 • Children \$4 • Seniors \$4.50  
• Tuesday Senior Matinee \$2 • Matinees • All Seats \$4

### GRAYLING CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC

Therapeutic Nutrition And Diagnostic Treatment Center for the Spine



Dr. O.W. Dami

Bringing quality care with results to Roscommon & Crawford Counties Since 1985.

- Specialist in Chronic & Difficult Cases involving the spine and its related conditions.

Also Natural Alternative Therapeutic Nutritional Support Available For:

- Asthma (juvenile)
- Gastrointestinal Complaints
- Chronic Fatigue / Fibromyalgia
- Slow Metabolism / Weight Gain
- Sugar Stress / Borderline sugar
- Estrogen Replacement (phyto-estrogen)
- Disc Degeneration / Osteoarthritis
- Attention Deficit, Hyper Activity Disorder (ADD/ADHD)

Tired of being Sick and Tired or just in Pain?



CALL 348-3128

### PRESENTING

**WILLIAM E. TRENT, DO**  
Obstetrician/Gynecologist

*Focusing on Women's Health with Expertise and Compassion*

Dr. Trent has years of expertise in providing services for:

- Well women care
- Normal and complicated pregnancy care
- Basic infertility care
- Menopause management
- Advanced laparoscopic surgery
- General gynecological surgery

Dr. Trent is accepting new patients in two convenient locations:

Mercy North Campus:  
(517) 348-1212  
1250 E. Michigan Avenue, Grayling

Mercy Roscommon Campus:  
(517) 275-1200  
234 Lake Street, Roscommon

**MERCY** PRIMARY CARE ASSOCIATES

Partnering with **MUNSON HEALTHCARE**

[www.mercyhealth.com](http://www.mercyhealth.com)



## TRI★COUNTY MEATS

"The Beef Jerky People"

November 3 - November 9, 1999

**Fresh Boston Butt Pork Roast**



**\$1.09 lb.**

**Fresh All Natural Amish Chickens**  
**.99¢ lb.**

Gaylord Store Only  
★ Wild Game Processing Available  
★ Taxidermy Available  
Available at Both Stores  
★ Gift Certificates

**Fresh Ground Beef from Chuck**  
**\$1.89 lb.**

90% Lean 10% Fat

**If We Run Out of Anything, Rain Checks Will be Issued.**

Hours: Monday thru Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

"We cut the best and on Sundays we rest."

1081 N. I-75 Business Loop, Grayling MI • 344-1501



# UNBEATABLE PROPANE PRICING & SERVICE OPTIONS

ASK ABOUT OUR  
**BLUE CHIP SERVICE  
GUARANTEE**  
ONLY AVAILABLE AT  
THERMOGAS

**FIND OUT WHY THOUSANDS  
OF PEOPLE ARE SWITCHING TO  
Thermogas**

JUDGED  
**#1 IN  
SAFETY  
NATIONWIDE**

Thermogas is the proud recipient of the National Propane Gas Association Safety Award - Presented in recognition of outstanding contributions to the cause of safety in the propane industry.

- Propane Tanks Professionally Installed at No Charge\*
- Expert 24 Hour Customer Care.
- Gas Appliance Service by qualified Technicians.
- Thermogas Safety Check - A complete inspection of Propane System and Appliances for Safe Operation and Peak Efficiency (Free to new customers).
- Propane with Price Protection. \*SOME RESTRICTIONS APPLY

RV & CYLINDER REFILL OPEN 8 to 5 DAILY & 8 'til NOON SATURDAY



**Thermogas**  
The First Name in Propane



**GRAYLING 525 S. I-75 Business Loop (1 Mile North of Grayling)**  
Phone 517-348-6241 or 1-800-477-6241

## You may qualify for free eye exam

Low-income workers and their families can begin applying for free eye exams through a program called Vision USA, now celebrating its 10th anniversary.

Vision USA is a national non-profit program that matches low-income children and adults with optometrists in their communities who provide free comprehensive eye exams in their offices.

About 7,400 optometrists volunteer their services through the program which has helped 262,000 people receive vision care across the nation to date.

Although this service helps people of all ages, Vision USA 2000 will mark the start of the program's emphasis on aiding children. This focus aligns with its commitment to "America's Promise -- The Alliance

for Youth," a program headed by Retired General Colin Powell that brings together business, government and non-profit organizations to help "at risk" youth. Good vision is important not only for adults to obtain and maintain a job, but also for children to learn and progress in school.

To qualify for free eye care under the program, persons must have a job or live in a household where there is at least one working member, have no health insurance that covers eye examinations, have income below an established level based on household size and have had no eye examination within two years.

Although the Vision USA eye exams are not given until March 2000, the American Optometric

Association, which administers the program, is accepting applications for program participation now. Application forms are available from Vision USA, 243 N. Lindbergh Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141, and on the American Optometric Association Web site (<http://www.aoanet.org>) in the "Meet the AOA" section.

Internet access is often available through public libraries and social service agencies. Completed forms must be postmarked by January 21, 2000.

Nearly nine out of 10 people served by the program have had one or more eye health or vision problems. Optometrists have also diagnosed potentially blinding eye dis-

eases in patients, including glaucoma, as well as uncovered general health problems affecting vision, such as diabetes and brain tumors.

"Part of being a professional is providing services for the less fortunate. There is a need and a sense of responsibility that we have," said Michael S. Roth, O.D., chair of the association's Vision USA committee. "But, in the process, you find out that you get back so much more than you give."

An estimated 30 million people in the nation lack eye care and other health benefits, do not qualify for government or private health assistance programs and cannot afford to pay for eye care out of their own pockets.

## Tickets on sale for snowmobile raffle

Gary Anderson, Snowmobile Raffle Chairman, announced that in keeping with the Chamber's commitment to serve and strengthen their civic and business community, the Charlevoix Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors has agreed to sponsor a fall/winter Snowmobile Raffle.

The profits go to support the numerous activities in the Charlevoix Chamber community.

The Chamber has purchased two Z-700 Arctic Cat snowmobiles with

covers and a two-place trailer.

The tickets sell for \$10 each or six for \$50 and may be purchased at the Charlevoix Chamber office or by mail.

Please send your check, made payable to the Charlevoix Area Chamber of Commerce, 408 Bridge St., Charlevoix, MI 49720.

The raffle will be conducted December 4 during the Charlevoix Open House, between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Winner need not be present to win.

# DIRECTORY

Put your business before over 8,000 readers and the Internet for \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)  
Home Page Address: [www.townnews.com/avalanche/](http://www.townnews.com/avalanche/)

## BUILDING & REMODELING SERVICES

### RENT THIS SPACE

Reach thousands of readers, and be on the Internet, for pennies a day...the Business Directory only costs \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)

**Full Service Salon**  
402 James  
Grayling, MI  
517-348-8555

Call Valerie, Jackie or Lynn  
for an appointment today!

Licensed Insured  
**J.T. Cochrane  
CONSTRUCTION**  
Building Quality HOMES & COMMERCE  
Custom Siding • Decks & More  
888-254-8020 • 348-8527

**AUSABLE ALUMINUM  
PRODUCTS CO.**  
711 W. Kneeland Rd., Mio, MI 48647  
1 1/2 miles west of M-33 on Kneeland Rd.  
Home Improvement • Licensed & Insured  
Specializing in Vinyl Siding  
Kitchens, Replacement Windows & Doors  
In The Area For 26 Years  
Office: 517-826-6252 • Home: 517-826-5416

**Spencer  
Construction**  
Specializing in Roofing  
New Roofs • Gutters • Kitchens  
Licensed & Insured  
All Work Guaranteed  
Eric (517) 275-8062  
475 W. Maplehurst Dr. • Roscommon, MI 48653

**DRIVEWAYS**  
Plowing • Grading • Backhoe  
Free Estimates • Fully Insured  
Chamber of Commerce Member

Commercial  
Exterior  
Varnishing

FAIRS  
FESTIVALS  
CONCERTS  
**Brian Ashton**  
Music for All Occasions  
CALL FOR INFORMATION (517) 348-6565

**HANK SAYLOR  
FLOOR COVERING**  
Sales & Service & Repairs  
Residential & Commercial Installation  
Licensed & Insured  
Carpet • Vinyl  
Hardwood  
Tile • Pergo  
Ceramic  
Hank Saylor  
(517) 348-5372  
Grayling, MI

**PORTABLE SERVICE**  
• Commercial • Residential  
• Welding Repair & Fabrication  
**4-MILE WELDING**  
Western Snowplows  
Sales & Service  
1/4 mile west of I-75 on 4-Mile  
Road, Grayling • 348-2613

Sales Service Installation  
**RAY-TEL  
COMMUNICATIONS**  
BUSINESS PHONE SYSTEMS  
VOICE MAIL CABLE  
Janna Trowbridge 517-348-5674  
Dale Metzger 800-292-9295  
P.O. Box 853  
Grayling, MI 49738 877-348-5674

**RENT THIS SPACE**  
Reach thousands of readers, and be on the Internet, for pennies a day...the Business Directory only costs \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)

**Dixon Construction Co.**  
1155 Goosecreek Rd., Grayling  
Experienced Professional  
Custom Builder To Service You  
Specializing In: New Home Construction, Pole  
Barns, Garages, Custom Built Decks, Additions  
• Licensed • Bonded • Insured  
Robert C. Dixon • Owner / Lic. Builder  
PH. 517-348-6405

• SALES  
• SERVICE  
• PARTS  
**LEWISTON MOTOR SPORTS**  
ARCTIC RACING  
(517) 786-8800  
4770 SALLING  
LEWISTON, MI ED ANDREWS  
MARK KINSEY

**grayling-area.com**  
Your Local Provider of Internet Access with i2k  
Internet access, website design and hosting.  
www.grayling-area.com  
kdw@i2k.net • jschultz@i2k.net  
517-348-1702 • 517-348-8022  
2342 Industrial St. P.O. Box 429, Grayling, MI 49738  
Low Cost  
Monthly  
Access  
2400 Hours @ 17.50  
800 hrs @ 15.00  
40 hrs @ 10.00

**A.T.W.**  
Tree & Limb Removal  
Stump Grinding • Chipping • Log  
Hauling • Lot Landscaping •  
Tree Planting • Bucket • Snow  
Removal • Emergency Storm Work  
Fully Insured 826-5282  
Free Estimates 826-6512

Auto • Residential • Commercial  
Glass Installation  
**Grayling Glass**  
Mobile Service  
517-348-6641 Office 1178 I-75 Business Loop, Grayling, MI  
517-732-5243 after 5 pm Scott Taskey  
1-800-446-6850 Manager

**ACCOUNTANTS**  
**Mickey Perez P.C.**  
Certified Public Accountant  
115 Michigan Ave.  
(517) 348-2811  
OFFICE HOURS  
Mon. thru Fri. • 8 to 5

**COMPUTER SERVICES COMPANY**  
PC's • PRINTERS • FAX MACHINES  
New Equipment -- Any Make of Model  
Hardware & Software Upgrading • Networking  
Training • Cleaning & Servicing • Supplies  
LOWEST PRICES AVAILABLE • PROMPT LOCAL SERVICE  
FREE CONSULTATION & ESTIMATE 517-348-2244

**ASA & T LLC**  
PAINTING INT/EXT • DECKS • FENCES  
LANDSCAPING • SHEDS • LAWN CARE  
POWER WASHING • BASEMENT &  
GARAGE CLEANING  
**344-2728**  
"THE SMALL JOB PEOPLE"

**Accent**  
Kurt Ludwick  
**PAINTING & INTERIORS**  
COMMERCIAL -- RESIDENTIAL  
Licensed & Insured  
• Painting • Staining  
• Deck Refinishing • Power Washing  
• Custom Window Treatments  
• Parking Lot Stripping  
Smoke & Water Damage  
All Work Guaranteed  
15 Years Experience  
1-800-730-3025

**John D. Cherven**  
Certified Public Accountant  
Grayling Mini-Mall  
P.O. Box 825  
348-2554  
Tax Preparation and Consultation  
General Accounting Services

**ADJ  
FOREST PRODUCTS**  
LARGEST INDUSTRIAL LUMBER  
PRODUCER IN THE LAKE STATES  
We Buy Standing Timber  
With Supervised Cutting  
By Our  
Professional Foresters  
"A Forest Friendly Company"  
Four Mile Road • P.O. Box 629  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(517) 348-5412

**ALUMINUM  
STAINLESS STEEL  
STEEL IN STOCK  
CUT TO SIZE  
UPS DELIVERY**  
Rounds, Squares, Flats  
Structural Shapes, Tubing, Plate  
**RIFKIN  
STEEL  
COMPANY**  
1443 N. Niagara, Saginaw, MI 48602-4782  
1-800-906-6699

**Milwaukee Motors**  
**USED CARS & TRUCKS**  
All kinds of automotive repair  
Pickup truck accessories,  
covers and caps  
EAGLE-LIFT Hitch & Towing Products  
Old 27 North - Grayling  
(517) 348-7352

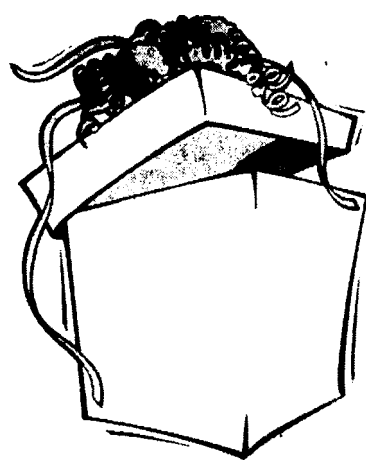
**Old AuSable Boat Co.**  
**Outstanding Riverboats**  
Acumai, Mahogany, Oak, Ash,  
Black Walnut, Cedar Strip & Cherry  
Contact Bob Smock  
517-348-2187 • 517-348-2643  
"Boats That Would Make Robb Proud"

**Michael A. DiPonio**  
Certified Public Accountant  
Lake Margrethe • PO Box 607  
Grayling, Michigan 49738  
(517) 348-1704  
Accounting, tax and  
consulting services

**Creative  
Photography**  
**Wedding Specialist**  
Corinne Pillaro  
(517) 348-6534



# Overseas Christmas mailing deadlines draw near



**Post Office recommends early mailing of overseas Christmas cards and packages**

The number of shopping days left until Christmas is a lot less than you think, especially if you're mailing overseas, according to International and Military Mail Christmas mailing deadlines released by the U.S. Postal Service.

Depending on where and how it is going, the most looming deadline is November 5 for surface transportation to Asia, the Pacific Rim, Australia, New Zealand, as well as Central and South America. The deadline for cards and packages destined for Africa is December 2.

On the other hand, Air Parcel to Canada and Mexico can wait until December 13 to enter the mailstream.

For the most part, postal officials recommend Christmas packages, cards and letters to Europe and the Middle East be mailed no later than December 9.

This year, between Thanksgiving and Christmas, the Postal Service expects to deliver 20 billion holiday letters, post cards and packages, about one billion of which will be bound for international destinations.

Mail destined for Military APO/FPOs can be mailed First

Class or Priority Mail up until December 10 for Christmas delivery. Parcel Airlift or "PAL" mail should be sent no later than December 3 and Space Available Mail or "SAM" should be sent no later than November 27.

The Standard Mail deadline is November 6. Mailing early will save customers on postage costs.

Besides mailing early, another international mailing tip is to follow international addressing rules. Overseas addresses:

- must be in English and use Arabic numerals;
- have foreign postal codes, if known, in front or after the city or town name and on the same line;
- place the city or town name and the province or state name on the next line after the street address information; and
- write the name of the foreign country in capital letters on the bottom line of the address.

To make it easy to send holiday gifts abroad, the Postal Service's website offers additional mailing options, simplified customs forms, and even on-line assistance. Log on at: [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com).

## Secretary of State plans holiday closings

Secretary of State Candice S. Miller announced today that all 178 Secretary of State branch offices will be closed in observance of state holidays during November and December. The branch offices will be closed for:

- Veterans Day on Thursday, November 11
- Thanksgiving Day on Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26
- Christmas on Thursday, December 23 and Friday, December 24
- New Years on Thursday, December 30 and Friday, December 31

Motorists whose drivers license or license plates expire over a holiday weekend should renew early. Customers can expect fastest service midmorning, midafternoon, midweek and midmonth. The Grayling branch office is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and

Friday 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. On Wednesday the office is open 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Motorists renewing license plates can avoid a trip to the branch office by renewing by mail, by fax and, if eligible, by touch-tone telephone or Internet. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within seven business days.

The Michigan Historical Museum in downtown Lansing, operated by the Department of State, will also be closed on Veterans Day, November 11; Thanksgiving Day, November 25-26; and in observance of Christmas and New Years, December 23 - 26 and December 30 - January 2.

For more information, visit the Michigan Department of State Internet web site at: [www.sos.state.mi.us/](http://www.sos.state.mi.us/)

### Gettin' in the Spirit

**12-Cup Versa Brew Drip Coffee Maker**  
Has "sneak-a-cup" feature with removable swing-away basket and water level window. White. 6067698

**2 Slice Versa Toast Cool**  
Touch Toaster Features extra wide slot with self-adjusting bread guides. White. 6067706

**Electric Slicing Knife 9"** stainless serrated cutting blades. Fingerprint control with switch locked safety button. Blade release tabs. UL Listed. 68292

**7.99**  
**Outdoor Timer** All-weather 24 hour timer provides control over outdoor lighting. 2 on/off settings per day. 6014948

**9.99 BUSHNELL**  
4 oz. Lite Vision Binoculars 4 x 30 with center focus. Includes carrying case and strap. 8033409

**11.88**  
**41 Pc. Socket & Bit Set 1/4"** reversible ratchet, 10 SAE sockets, 10 metric sockets, 18 assorted slotted, Phillips, hex & torq bits, extension bar & clear storage case. 2100147

### McLean's Hardware

209 S. James Street • Grayling • 348-2931  
Mon. - Sat. 8 am to 5:30 pm • Sun. 9 am to 2 pm

# DIRECTORY

Put your business before over 8,000 readers and the Internet for \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)  
Home Page Address: [www.townnews.com/avalanche/](http://www.townnews.com/avalanche/)

### BUILDING & REMODELING SERVICES

**MORTON BUILDINGS, INC.**  
Commercial and Industrial  
WAREHOUSES • RETAIL • STORAGE  
SHOWROOMS • OFFICES • SHOPS  
[www.mortonbuildings.com](http://www.mortonbuildings.com)  
616-258-2580  
1-800-447-7436  
Joe Hagerman

**JACK MILLIKIN, INC.**  
Excavating  
Masonry Work  
Redmix Concrete  
Complete Septic  
Systems & Cleaning  
348-8411

**PLUMB CONCRETE, INC.**  
CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION  
POURED WALLS  
FLAT WORK  
CURB & GUTTER  
PRUDENVILLE, MI 48861  
PHONE/FAX (517) 366-7532

**SUPERIOR JANITORIAL SERVICE, INC.**  
Commercial -- Industrial  
PHONE 348-2114

**Bob MILLIKIN**  
**BOB'S DIRT WORK**  
• Dozer • Backhoe • Dump Truck  
• Road Grader • Septic Systems • Site Work • Top Soil • Fill Dirt • Gravel  
275-8786

**MYERS LAND SURVEY CO., INC.**  
P.O. Box 831  
Grayling, MI 49738  
Ph. (517) 348-4036  
Marvin E. Myers,  
Licensed Surveyor  
Michigan No. 31600

**Need a "Housewatcher"?**  
We will look after your seasonal or full-time home all 4 seasons, 1 week or 52. Reasonable Rates • Experienced Satisfaction Assured  
Call AuSable Valley Security  
517-348-6294 or 517-348-7333  
The "Housewatcher People"  
Licensed & Bonded

**Shawn Thomas Tree Service, Inc.**  
REMOVAL • TRIMMING  
& Stump Grinding  
• FULLY INSURED •  
517-348-6950  
FREDERIC, MI

### AREA SERVICES

**Professional Grooming**  
done by Tina LaRoche  
**North Country Pet Resort**  
Call for appointment  
821-9137

**Complete Wood or Formica**  
Kitchens • Bathrooms  
Countertops • Furniture  
Over 20 years experience  
Builders Welcome  
Denny Karp  
(517) 318-9300  
5625 M-72 W., Grayling, MI

**Bob MILLIKIN**  
**BOB'S DIRT WORK**  
• Dozer • Backhoe • Dump Truck  
• Road Grader • Septic Systems • Site Work • Top Soil • Fill Dirt • Gravel  
275-8786

**MYERS LAND SURVEY CO., INC.**  
P.O. Box 831  
Grayling, MI 49738  
Ph. (517) 348-4036  
Marvin E. Myers,  
Licensed Surveyor  
Michigan No. 31600

**Need a "Housewatcher"?**  
We will look after your seasonal or full-time home all 4 seasons, 1 week or 52. Reasonable Rates • Experienced Satisfaction Assured  
Call AuSable Valley Security  
517-348-6294 or 517-348-7333  
The "Housewatcher People"  
Licensed & Bonded

**Shawn Thomas Tree Service, Inc.**  
REMOVAL • TRIMMING  
& Stump Grinding  
• FULLY INSURED •  
517-348-6950  
FREDERIC, MI

**Dave Ross Builder**  
Licensed  
Quality work in Grayling area since 1972  
All types of Custom Homes & Remodeling  
Vinyl Siding  
P.O. Box 252, Grayling 348-6444

**R. Calkins & Sons Bull Dozing**  
• Sand • Gravel • Septic Systems  
• Site Preparation • Road Grading  
Ron Calkins • Brian Calkins  
Brent Calkins  
Insured - Grayling, MI  
Ph. 517-348-8805 • Fax 517-348-4135

**Terry A. Scott Mike Shaw**  
**S & S Remodeling & Construction**  
Licensed 210 115 0024 & Insured  
Ph./Fax (517) 389-1652 • (517) 348-6877

**Gram's Antiques & Collectables**  
WANTED: To Buy  
All Glassware, Roseville, McCoy, Hall, Dep. Glass, Fishing Lures, Old Furniture, Heisey Precious Moments, Salt & Pepper and anything you might think is older.  
Call 1-888-473-2006

**ACTIVE COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGIES**  
your information source for the new & the best  
Call us for assistance with:  
► Hardware ► Software ► Training ► Consulting ► Support  
517-344-0505  
2112 D. Bishop St. • Grayling, Michigan 49738  
[www.graylingarea.net](http://www.graylingarea.net)

**Hartwick Pines Mobile Home Park**  
I-75 and M-93 at Roberts Road  
A new mobile home park featuring:  
Paved Streets • Natural Gas • Security • Sewer Removal • Electric • Trash Pick-up  
Lot Rent \$180 per month  
Phone (517) 739-0600

**Primary Electric Co. Electrical Contractors**  
P.O. Box 398  
Grayling, MI 49738  
David Small  
Bus. 348-6440 Res. 348-4666

**RENT THIS SPACE**  
Reach thousands of readers, and be on the Internet, for pennies a day.. the Business Directory only costs \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)

**PIERSON-GIBBS HOMES, INC.**  
BUILD YOUR OWN HOME  
The easy way  
We build the shell-you finish it  
Save Thousands - Finish it Yourself  
Construction Financing Available  
Custom Home Builder  
Build Any Plan  
Ken Huber (888) 242-5994

**ADVANCED BUSINESS MACHINES, INC.**  
"People dedicated to service"  
**SHARP COPIERS • FAX**  
106 Michigan Ave. (517) 348-8717  
GRAYLING, MI 7328 Old 27 North  
Fax 517-348-7955 Frodoine, MI 49733

**NORTHROP CRANE SERVICE**  
Crane Rental by the Hour  
15 ton capacity over 100 ft of height  
Call me for an estimate today!  
517-348-5639  
561 Kileen Trail, Grayling, MI 49738

**Beckett Contracting, Inc.**  
P.O. Box 319, Grayling, MI 49738  
Licensed • Insured  
New Homes • Additions • Siding  
Remodeling • Garages • Roofing  
Phone 348-7237

**JOHN HOWE Building & Construction**  
Licensed Builder  
Homes • Garages • Decks • Additions  
Custom Quality Work  
1460 E. North Down River Road  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(517) 348-8556

**ARMY NAVY PINEVIEW SURPLUS & SUPPLY**  
Dan & Chris Klatt  
517-348-8300  
Fax 517-348-7955  
Pineview Motel  
7328 Old 27 North  
Frodoine, MI 49733

**James Parkinson**  
Remodeling  
Additions  
Siding  
Custom Homes  
Garages  
Roofing  
(517) 348-8880  
Grayling, Michigan Grayling, MI 49738

**NEW PARAGRAPH**  
Need Administrative or clerical assistance but can't afford a full-time employee? or, maybe you need assistance from time to time for a special project.  
We Offer:  
Word Processing • Desktop Publishing • Transcription  
AT YOUR OFFICE:  
Organization  
Call to get a FREE estimate of our services.  
(517) 348-3367

**Thermogas**  
PROPANE & APPLIANCES  
525 N. Grayling Road, Grayling, MI 49738  
Doug Hartshorn (517) 348-6241  
District Sales Manager (800) 477-6241

**Residential • Commercial**  
Interior • Exterior  
Wallpapering • Staining  
Powerwashing • Textured Ceilings  
INSURED  
(517) 348-6090



**Stop. Go. Pennzoil.™**  
**For One Low Price**

- Lube, Oil & Filter on all makes and models
- Top off all under-hood fluids
- Check tire pressure

All for only . . .

**\$20<sup>98</sup>\***  
PLUS

\*Up to 5 quarts of oil. Diesel extra.  
Other brands of oil also available.

**Drive-thru service - no need to leave your car! No appointments necessary**



**FORD  
MERCURY  
LINCOLN**

---



**\$2.95 OFF**  
WITH THIS COUPON

Oil & Filter Change/Complete Lube Service and 10 point Vehicle Check & Fill. Up to 5 quarts of oil. Diesels extra.  
No appointment necessary • All makes and models

**Stop. Go. Pennzoil.™**

**Monday - Friday**  
8 am to 5:30 pm

**Saturday**  
9 am to 3 pm



**1-75 Business Loop**  
**517-348-3242**

One coupon per vehicle - Not valid with any other offer - offer expires November 30, 1999

## MERCY BIRTHS

Gordon and Connie Beard of Grayling announce the arrival of Connor Alan Beard born October 19, 1999.

Shane Piehl and Amanda Moggo of Grayling announce the arrival of Dami Anne Piehl born October 19, 1999.

Daniel and Jennifer Ingram of Roscommon announce the arrival of Amanda Lynn Ingram born October 19, 1999.

Jeff and Mandie Allison of Roscommon announce the arrival of Jeffery James Allison born October 19, 1999.

Jeffrey and Dana Strickler of Roscommon announce the arrival of Logan Jeffrey Strickler born October 21, 1999.

Claude and Kelly Halstead of Grayling announce the arrival of Kalani Hitomi Makeao Halstead born October 21, 1999.

Daniel and Kimberly Hofer of Lewiston announce the arrival of Joseph Alan Hofer born October 22, 1999.

Thomas and Christa Kittell Sr. of Roscommon announce the arrival of Ryan Stephen Kittell born October 22, 1999.

Landon and Jenifer Sanders of Prudenville announce the arrival of Samantha Sanders born October 22, 1999.

David and Phyllis Johnson of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Roseann Marie Johnson born October 25, 1999.

Scott and Michelle Nicholas of Grayling announce the arrival of Justin Wayne Nicholas born October 26, 1999.

Cory and Wendy Carlson of Mio announce the arrival of Kaitlyn Renee Carlson born October 28, 1999.

## CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

New officers for 1999-2000 for the Friends of the Crawford County Library were decided at the last monthly meeting, October 25.

The nominees for office are

President: Barb Spasoff, Vice-President: Dee Hall, Secretary: Betty Pimlott and Treasurer: Shirley Schmoock.

Nominations will be taken from

## 55th Anniversary Celebrated



**CELEBRANTS** - Bob and Eileen Chappel, Rob and Pam Chappel, Herb and Ida Stockmeyer (pictured above) celebrate anniversaries and birthdays. Bob and Eileen Chappel celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary recently, taking an Amtrak train trip to Portland, Oregon, to sightsee and visit with Rob and Pam Chappel. After a three day visit, they continued their trip visiting Sacramento, California, and came back through the middle of the United States. Herb and Ida Stockmeyer, who celebrated her birthday while on the trip, accompanied the Chappels.

**Gerta's Draperies**  
*"Everything in Window Treatments"*

- Free Estimates
- In-Home Appointments

**Excellent Customer Service Since 1958**

**517-732-3340**

2281 OLD 27 SOUTH, GAYLORD

the floor for officers at the November 29 meeting and then voted on.

A successful membership drive was held last month in the Jackson's home in Lovells Township gaining six new members.

The Friends of the Library also sponsor the Book Club which meets once a month in a member's home to discuss that month's selection.

An essay/poster contest is in the works with the theme, "Why We Need A New Library" for January.

A winter book sale is also in discussion for the first week of February. Prices will be 25 cents hardbound, 10 cents paperback and \$1 for prime books.

The Mission of the Friends of the Library is to maintain an association of persons who will work to stimulate use of the Library's resources and services. To use all funds earned, collected or donated for those needs of the Library designated by a majority vote of the active members.

For more information, call 348-9214.

The Crawford County Library is open Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Phone is 348-9214.

Website is <http://www.nlc.lib.mi.us/members/crawford/>

The Lovells Township Library is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Saturday 12 noon-3 p.m. Phone is 348-9215.

# DIRECTORY

Put your business before over 8,000 readers and the Internet for \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)  
 Home Page Address: [www.townnews.com/avalanche/](http://www.townnews.com/avalanche/)

BUILDING & REMODELING SERVICES		PLUMBING & HEATING	
<b>RENT THIS SPACE</b> Reach thousands of readers, and be on the Internet, for pennies a day...the Business Directory only costs \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)	<b>B &amp; C Poured Walls</b> <i>You Can't Beat Concrete</i> Grayling, Michigan (517) 344-1200	<b>Don Kernstock</b> New Homes Remodeling Additions  Licensed & Insured <b>517-348-8945</b> 107 Kings Court, Grayling, MI 49738	<b>SCOTT'S SEPTIC SYSTEM SERVICE</b> Installation Cleaning Repairs  Residential & Commercial • Complete Excavating Service • Radio Dispatched Insured • New Equipment Roscommon, MI • 275-5011
<b>HAL'S MASONRY, INC.</b> The Foundation Dreams Are Built On  • Cultured Stone • Block • Brick • Flatwork • Fireplaces • Dozer • Backhoe • Septic • Drain fields • Lot clearing etc. Licensed & Insured (517) 348-8179	<b>MILLTOWN ELECTRIC</b> Residential • Commercial • Industrial Electrical • Energy Management Fire Alarms • Security Systems  <b>RICK DAVIS</b> Licensed & Insured 517-348-5280 • FAX 517-348-6101	<b>RENT THIS SPACE</b> Reach thousands of readers, and be on the Internet, for pennies a day...the Business Directory only costs \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)	<b>JIM'S WELL DRILLING</b> Water Wells • Pump Service Free Estimates • Residential & Commercial Grayling & Surrounding Area 517-348-8788 1.3 miles East of Grayling (M-72), 2 mile North on Clear Water Trail
<b>Carl Gildner, Builder</b> (517) 348-4068 Friendly, dependable service  • Licensed & Insured • Small Structures • Garages • Roofing • Remodeling • Painting • Drywall and more	<b>RENT THIS SPACE</b> Reach thousands of readers, and be on the Internet, for pennies a day...the Business Directory only costs \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)	<b>CuSable CONSTRUCTION</b> BUILDING IN NORTHERN MICHIGAN SINCE 1976 <b>RESIDENTIAL &amp; COMMERCIAL</b> (517) 348-5477 • 2342 Industrial St. FAX (517) 348-3232 • Grayling Industrial Park Grayling, MI	<b>Great Lakes ENERGY Gas Services</b> Does your propane company have one price for new customers & another price for you? <b>1-888-485-2537 ext.1266</b> Fax 517-731-3005 PO Box 70 1323 Boyne Ave., Boyne City, MI 49712 A Touchstone Energy Partner
<b>CAL SCHREIBER</b> <b>LICENSED BUILDERS</b> Homes • Remodeling Garages • Additions Roofing • Siding Rt. 5, Box 5055, Grayling 49738 Dave Schreiber (517) 348-5858	<b>Fred Mills Builder</b> with Tim Calkins Log Cabins • Homes • Remodeling Roofs • Custom Artwork Honest & Reliable • Licensed Fred - 517-821-5707 Tim - 517-348-3103	<b>DUGAN'S ROOFING &amp; HOME IMP.</b> Ralph Dugan - Owner Houghton Lake, MI 48629 Free Estimates Licensed & Insured (517) 422-4109 or 1-800-922-4109	<b>Grayling Hospital for Animals, P.C.</b> <b>DR. WAYNE L. CASLER</b> <b>DR. PAUL W. MESACK</b> <b>DR. TROY FAIRBANKS</b> 5806 West M-72 Grayling, Michigan 49738 AT ALL TIMES PH. 348-8622 HOURS: BY APPOINTMENT
<b>DOORWAYS OF THE NORTH</b> Serving All Of Northern Michigan Since 1980 With Warehouse & Showroom at 2306 S. Industrial Grayling <b>517-348-5426</b> Sales, Service & Installation Windows, Doors & Garage Doors	<b>RENT THIS SPACE</b> Reach thousands of readers, and be on the Internet, for pennies a day...the Business Directory only costs \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)	<b>Richard L. Martin Construction</b> Division of Classic Log Homes, Inc. Frame & Log Homes • Remodeling Kitchen & Bath Additions • Garages • Design Service & Plans Available Window replacement (Certified Pella Contractor) Vinyl & Aluminum Siding (Custom Bending) More than 20 years experience • Licensed & Insured PO Box 125 • Higgins Lake, Michigan (517) 821-6118	<b>DAY CONSTRUCTION</b> <b>Residential Builder</b> Garages • Additions Decks • Roofs Trailer Roof-Over System No Job Too Small Licensed & Insured 209 N. 6th St. Roscommon, MI 48653 (517) 275-4858
<b>Corky Hellebuyck</b> Owner  <b>Hellebuyck Masonry</b> Insured • Free Estimates Foundations • Driveways • Basements • Brick Work • Lot Clearing • Site Preparation & Septic Systems	<b>RENT THIS SPACE</b> Reach thousands of readers, and be on the Internet, for pennies a day...the Business Directory only costs \$92 for 6 months (\$3.54 per week)	<b>Roscommon Walk-In Medical Clinic</b> • Physicals • Treatment of minor injuries & illnesses <b>Frederick L. Lawrence, M.D.</b>  Monday through Friday 11 am to 4 pm No appointment necessary, but accepted (517) 275-8565 108 Main St. • Roscommon (Behind Gavins)	<b>DENTURE SERVICES</b> <b>R.L. Darnell D.D.S</b> <b>Dentures • Partial</b> <b>Relines • Repairs</b> 420 Center, Gaylord, MI <b>517-732-0813</b>
<b>SUPPORT GROUPS FOR Victims Of Domestic Violence</b> Emotional • Verbal Sexual • Physical Weekly groups available in Crawford & Ogemaw counties For more information, Call River House Shelter • 348-3169 COLLECT CALLS ACCEPTED		<b>Substance Abuse Services</b> • OUI/OVI Assessments • Drivers License Appeal • Division Evaluations • Adolescent & Adult Outpatient Counseling • State Licensed Program • Prompt, Polite & Professional Service <b>Robert Smock</b> MA LPC CAC CHSAS 651 N. Otsego Ave., Gaylord, MI <b>517-732-1543</b>	



## OBITUARIES

### C. Cecil Linderman

Feb. 8, 1918-Oct. 30, 1999

C. Cecil Linderman, 81, died October 30, 1999, at MidMichigan Stratford Village in Midland.

Mr. Linderman was born in Ohiopyle, Pennsylvania, February 8, 1918, the son of James Winslow and Pearl (Burnsworth) Linderman. He was raised and educated in Charleroi, Pennsylvania.

He worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 38 years. A conscientious objector, he served four years as a medic and supply sergeant in the U.S. Army during World War II in the European Theater. He married Louise Annis on February 22, 1951. They moved to Midland in 1958.

After retiring from the post office, he worked for Hawkins Letter Service and then worked as a locksmith for 20 years, operating The Key Shop in Midland.

Mr. Linderman was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Helen June Linderman and Wilma Fern Linderman, and two brothers, Robert Linderman and Ralph Linderman.

He is survived by his wife Louise; one son, Terrence (Missy) Linderman of Chesterfield, Missouri; one daughter, Charlene Linderman of Midland; three grandchildren; five brothers, James Russell Linderman, Lester Linderman, Carl Linderman, David Linderman and Kenneth Linderman; one sister, Pearl Irene Cline.

Funeral services will be held Friday, November 5 at 11 a.m. from the Ware-Smith-Woollever Funeral Home, Midland. Officiating will be Rollin Mader, John Byers, Jerome Frandle and Shane Brown. Visitation will be on Thursday from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m., and Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of service. Burial will be at 4 p.m. Friday at the Beaver Creek Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to: Seasons, the Midland County Council on Aging's Day Center.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following complaints were received by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department from Oct. 25-Nov. 1:

One fire; one criminal sexual conduct; one assault; four burglaries; nine larceny; one vehicle theft; one fraud; seven property damage; one controlled substances; five public peace; two citations; 13 health and safety (eight of which were animal control); one invasion of privacy; one conversation; two minors; 17 accidents (12 of which were car-deer); one parking violation; three false alarm; one hazardous condition; four vehicle inspections; one civil/family trouble; six suspicious situations; 16 general non-criminal.

A total of 100 complaints were handled in the one-week period.

## RANGE FIRING

Camp Grayling Range Firing scheduled, during November 3-10.

Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge

Road). Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

For further information call (517) 344-6107.

### Mary H. Stindt

Jan. 6, 1915-Oct. 28, 1999

Mary H. Stindt, 84, of Grayling, died Thursday, October 28, 1999 at Hilltop Manor Nursing Home, Roscommon.

Mrs. Stindt was born in Detroit, January 6, 1915, the daughter of Gerland J. and Elizabeth (VanCampen) Hopcroft. She married Elmer Stindt April 26, 1940 in Detroit. She has been of resident of Grayling since 1975, moving here from Highland Park.

Mrs. Stindt retired from Highland Park College as a secretary in the Student Center. She was very popular with students and her nickname was "Ma Stindt." She also tutored young men in math and English at Camp Shawono. She was a member of St. Francis Episcopal Church. She chaired the Christmas Bazaar for several years. She was a member of the bridge groups and also chaired that for many years. She loved crossword puzzles, and knitting also.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a grandson, Andrew R. Stindt on June 3, 1997.

She is survived by her husband, Elmer Stindt of Grayling; two sons, John (Nan) Stindt of Troy and Thomas (Barbara) Stindt of San Antonio, Texas; three grandchildren, Stephen J. Stindt, Elizabeth A. Stindt and Susan J. Stindt.

Visitation was held Saturday, October 30, from 1 - 4 p.m. Memorial services will be held at St. Francis Episcopal Church, Saturday, November 6, with Reverend Robert Henley officiating. Burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

The family was served by the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel.

### Ruth E. Lagerberg

Nov. 1, 1911-Oct. 27, 1999

Ruth E. (Kuster) Lagerberg, 87, of Alpena died at Sally's Care Home, Alpena, Wednesday, October 27, 1999.

Mrs. Lagerberg was born in Grand Forks, North Dakota, November 1, 1911. She married Matt Lagerberg in Grand Forks, North Dakota. They moved to Alpena in 1943 where she was employed at MESC for several years until retiring in 1974. Mrs. Lagerberg later lived in Grayling for a number of years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Matt in 1963; four brothers, one sister and a special friend, Donavan Amstutz.

She is survived by one son, Charles Lagerberg of Black River; one granddaughter, Karen of Spring Lake; one brother, George Kuster of Lengby, Minnesota.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 30, at the Bannan Funeral Home, Alpena, with Rev. Clive Dickens officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be sent to Hospice of the Sunrise Shore or Alzheimer's Association.

### Barry James Cragg

Oct. 8, 1952-Oct. 26, 1999

Barry James Cragg, 47, of Grayling, died Tuesday, October 26, 1999 at home.

Mr. Cragg was born in Flint, October 8, 1952, the son of Duane and Onalee (Severn) Cragg. He moved to Grayling nine years ago from Flint and was self-employed as a flooring and ceramic tile installer. He was very artistic, wouldn't settle for anything but perfection and had some of his work featured in *Better Homes and Gardens* magazine. Mr. Cragg loved hunting, fishing, cooking and grilling out, smoking meats and sharing them with family and friends.

He is survived by his parents, Duane and Onalee Cragg of Flint; one daughter, Christa (Todd) Jerema of Flint; one son, Kevin Cragg of Goodrich; three brothers, Steven Cragg of Grayling, Bryan (Melanie) Cragg of Grayling, Bruce (Sherrie) Cragg of Grayling; two grandchildren, Tyler and Drake; stepdaughter, Sara; special friend and companion, Delores Buchner.

Memorial services were held Saturday, October 30, at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel with Reverend Ron Voelker officiating. Burial was in the Flint Memorial Park, Flint.

### Helen E. Fox

March 30, 1931-Oct. 26, 1999

Helen E. Fox, 68, of Grayling, died Tuesday, October 26, 1999 at Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

Mrs. Fox was born in Port Huron, March 30, 1931, the daughter of Howard Phillip and Helen Mae (MacDonald) Spencer. She married Herbert Fox December 10, 1969 in Port Huron.

She was a homemaker who lived in Grayling 10 years. Mrs. Fox was a member of the Burning Bush Tabernacle, Eagles Aerie #3465 and the Lovells Ladies Club (Cheerful Givers).

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband, Herbert Fox of Grayling; two sons, Mark Myers of Port Huron and Curtis (Paula) Myers of Port Huron; three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Sorenson Funeral Home on October 28, with Reverend Patricia Petrie officiating. Burial was in the Caswell Cemetery, Sparlingville. A luncheon was held after the funeral at the Burning Bush Tabernacle.

### Card of Thanks

I would like to thank friends and family for their cards, calls, acts of kindness and prayers during my illness. My health is improving. I will be leaving for Florida soon. God Bless.

Phyllis Sheer

### Maurice R. Babbitt

March 25, 1917-Oct. 20, 1999

Maurice R. Babbitt, 82, of Gowen died at his home Wednesday, October 20, 1999.

Mr. Babbitt was born in Grayling, March 25, 1917, the son of Richard and Pearl Babbitt. He served as a medic at the 132 Second General Army Hospital. He also served in New Guinea, the Dutch East Indies and the Philippine Islands during World War II.

Upon his return home he married Maxine Mason on July 7, 1946 in Bellaire. They made their first home in Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, later moving to Howard City where Maurice farmed for a few years. They then moved to the Greenville area where he worked for the Greenville Furniture Company, Greenville Public Schools and retired in 1977 from DeVries Tire Company. He was a member of the Nazarene Church for many years.

He as a lifelong member of the N.R.A. and loved to hunt, fish and target shoot with his children and grandchildren. He enjoyed camping and working in his garden.

He is survived by his wife, Maxine; children Michael (Hilda) Babbitt of Wyoming, Margaret (Art) Cox of Gowen, Max Babbitt of Greenville, Melvin and Barb Babbitt, Mark (Tina) Babbitt of Holland; 19 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Harold (Edna) Babbitt of Frederic, Keith (Joyce) Babbitt of Jenison, Bruce (Alta) Babbitt of Escanaba; one sister, Shirley (Jim) Petrie of East Jordan.

Memorial services were held Monday, October 25, at Hillcrest Community Church, Cedar Springs.

The family was served by Hurst Funeral Home, Greenville.

### In Memory Of

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
LOU MIDDLETON,  
November 10, 1999

You are a sorely missed husband, father and brother. Not much time goes by without your memories reminding us of you. One day we can all be together again and what a glorious day that will be.

Mary, Kirsten and Steven

Middleton  
Sandy, Jim, Joe and Jason  
Collen

Tom, Pat, Melvin, Tom II

Middleton  
Barbara Middleton

## VOTERS!

Thank You For Your Votes!

## COMMITTEE!!

Thank you for all your efforts.  
Sincerely Dave Wyman

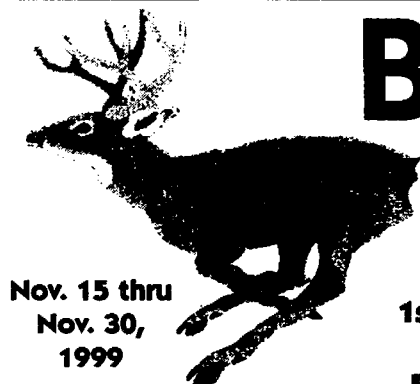
*Paid for by Dave Wyman • 604 Peninsular, Grayling, MI 49738  
517-348-8568*

**Thermogas**  
1999

**BIG**

**BUCK**

*Contest*



Nov. 15 thru  
Nov. 30,  
1999

**Register NOW-**  
1st 50 to Pre-Register  
will receive a  
**FREE Hunter Orange  
Thermogas Hat!**

**LARGEST BUCK  
WINNERS WILL RECEIVE**

**\$50.00**

**Gift Certificate**

Good at any location  
Auburn Hills • Gaylord • Grand Rapids



Bring in your deer to be measured and get your picture on our "Big Buck Board." One Big Buck winner per participating store.

**Buck High Energy Costs.  
Become a Thermogas  
Customer Today**

- Expert 24 Hour Customer Care
- In-Home Gas Appliance & Heating Equipment Service
- Thermogas Safety Check

A complete inspection of Propane System and Appliance for Peak Efficiency and Safe Operation (free to new customers).

- **UNBEATABLE** Propane Pricing & Service Options.

Enter Our  
**DRAWING**  
SOMEONE WILL WIN  
A PROPANE FUELED  
**GENERATOR**



**GRAYLING 525 S. I-75 Business Loop (1 Mile North of Grayling)**  
Phone 517-348-6241 or 1-800-477-6241  
**Doug Hartshorn - Manager**

### Hope.



**There's Plenty  
To Go Around.**

Sure, life can get tough. For each one of us. But there is a way to face whatever comes along with peace, and with confidence.

We're your neighbors, the people of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and we invite you to celebrate with us that special hope and peace that Christ alone can bring.



**Mt. Hope  
Lutheran Church**  
905 N. I-75 Bus. Loop  
Grayling, MI 49738  
(517) 348-5921  
Sunday Services 8 & 10:30 a.m.

## Deer Hunters Ball & Raffle

Hosted by Grayling Eagles #3465  
**November 13, 1999**

at 602 M-72 East

**Dinner is at 5 p.m.**

Cash Bar • Venison Stew • Live Music by Brian Ashton  
Donations Accepted • Many Door Prizes  
Raffle is at 10 p.m.

**Public Welcome**

**1st Prize - Browning 30-06 with scope**  
**2nd Prize - Mossberg 500 Pump 12 Gauge Shotgun**  
**3rd Prize - Knight 50 Cal. Muzzle Loader**  
\$1 per ticket • Need not be present to win

## MERCY MANOR ANNUAL FALL CRAFT SHOW

**Friday, November 5, 1999**  
**9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Homemade baked goods  
All crafts are hand crafted  
by independent artists

**FREE Door Prizes**

Door prizes donated by artists • Drawing will be held each hour  
You must be present to win.



**MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING**

Partnering with **MUNSON HEALTHCARE**

# WHY 2K???

►In spite of all of the hype, Year 2000 Compliance may not as difficult a problem, to solve, as you think. There are 2 questions you need to concern yourself with:

- #1 Is my hardware Y2K Compliant?
- #2 Is my software Y2K Compliant?

While these are two independent questions, they are interdependent upon each other. If you answer, "No" to either of these questions, the new year could cause you a problem.

►We can help you avoid potential Y2K problems with your system.

No method will offer you an *absolute guarantee* of Y2K Compliance, but we can offer the *best preventative care* available, in the industry, for your system.

►Just give us a call and we will be happy to customize a solution for your needs.

Then sit back and enjoy your Millennium Celebration!

**ACTIVE COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGIES**

Your information source for the new Millennium

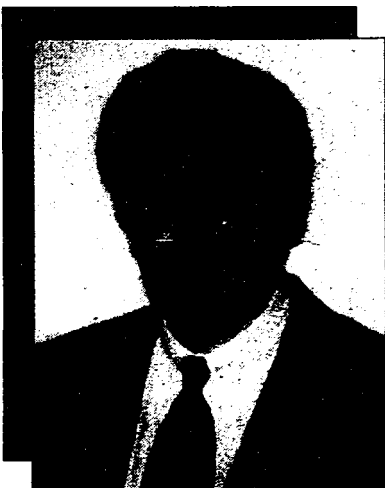
517-344-0505

## Work starts on railroad crossing



Reparations of the railroad crossing located in front of the Crawford County Courthouse began late last week, and continued early this week (above and left). The road into the courthouse will only be partially closed off during the reconstruction; two lanes (one in and one out) are still open to motorists allowing access to the courthouse. Permanent paving work on the project is planned for next spring.

Photos by Linda Golinick



### B. Andrew Rifkin Attorney at Law

- Personal Injury • Auto Accidents
- Slip & Fall Injuries
- Medical Malpractice • Hospital Negligence
- No Fee Unless You Win • Free consultation

**RIFKIN & RIFKIN**  
800-886-6000 • 517-348-9341

Serving Grayling, Gaylord, Prudenville,  
West Branch, Vanderbilt, Houghton Lake, and all of  
Northern Lower Michigan for over 30 years.

**Subscribe Today! 348-6811**

### PAID ADVERTISEMENT

**DISCLAIMER:** While it sickens me to call this letter an advertisement, people who read Wednesday's Gaylord Herald Times may be wondering **WHAT** the Odyssey Academy is. While I am not going to disclose that information yet, this should answer the **WHO** and **WHY**.

## Required or not, I'm not doing it.

To Whom it May Concern-

I am a Detroit Public School Teacher. I was on my way to school when I heard the news: **THE DETROIT PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS HAVE DECIDED TO STRIKE**. As a high school teacher, I just hoped we had a very good reason for doing so. It had to be good enough to overcome the resentment my students would feel toward me because of striking. The students tend to perceive the teachers **NOT** going to school as not caring about our students, but only caring about our paychecks. I immediately set out to find out the "issues" that warranted a strike. I only hoped they had something to do with **SCHOOL REFORM**. After all, this was a 3-year contract being negotiated. We settled for more money last time and our students are still failing and dropping out in record numbers. Surely we wouldn't **SETTLE FOR MORE MONEY** again! Or would we?

Sometimes (often times), removing yourself from a situation is the best way to effectively study the situation. I knew I did not want to quit; the kids would think I was quitting on them. Instead, I made a picket sign: **FIRE ME . . . MY STUDENTS AREN'T LEARNING ANYWAY**. It caught the attention of a few people passing by the school's center building. To my amazement, one lady yelled out her car window, "Get back in the classroom!" Do I need to point out the irony in that? Needless to say, the sign did not get me fired (not even reprimanded). If **NOT QUIT** and **NOT FIRED**, then what? The strike settled before I had decided so I **CHOSE NOT TO REPORT TO MY SCHOOL**. I needed **MORE TIME** to figure out what to do. Yes, sometimes it takes **TIME TO ARRIVE AT A SOLUTION (ANSWER) TO A PROBLEM**.

By the way, I taught **MATHEMATICS**. I remember making a picket sign asking something like, "How are our students supposed to learn math without analysis?" I don't recall exactly what it said but I know who I gave it to. I gave it to a deaf boy who wanted to learn math a few years back. Guess what? I was able to teach him. In fact, I've never been much of a teacher. But, give me a child who wants to learn and I can usually help them learn.



**THE ODYSSEY ACADEMY**  
"A Place for Learning"

**Denise Boutin**  
Owner

P.O. Box 5 • Lewiston, MI 49756  
"Home of the **ODYSSEY NETWORK**"

the police to get a contract, we could get additional officers hired to patrol the areas around our schools. Maybe if we did those things, our children **COULD ARRIVE AT SCHOOL READY TO LEARN MATHEMATICS**. As it is now, if my students don't want to learn math, I don't blame them. As such, I have decided I am no longer going to add stress to their lives by trying to teach it. **IF not in Detroit, THEN not anywhere**. As soon as I have the money, I will be opening The Odyssey Academy where I can teach children **TO WANT TO LEARN**.

Does that mean children in Detroit don't **WANT TO LEARN**? I'm not sure. I am sure, however, of the following. An Osborn student was raped on the first day of school. The ripple effect of all the students walking to school in fear they will be next **MUST BE TREMENDOUS**. I did not mention that I had also made a picket sign that said, "Give My Contract to a Detroit Cop". As far as I'm concerned, if the teachers really cared about the children, we should have held out **UNTIL THE DETROIT POLICE GOT A CONTRACT**. Maybe then, our kids can quit thinking about how to survive at the expense of thinking about graduating. Maybe if we waited for

*Denise M. Boutin*

As to the **HOW**, I had to sell my cottage to do it. By the looks of last week's Crawford County Avalanche Letters to the Editor, I made a good decision. I stand by this paper, however, and believe it was an **HONEST MISTAKE**.

### PAID ADVERTISEMENT

PAID ADVERTISEMENT

PAID ADVERTISEMENT



# FOOTBALL CONTEST 1999-00

**WEEK**  
**# 9**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE: Advertiser MUST be written in next to team or slip will be VOID!!**

Winner	Advertiser	Winner	Advertiser	Winner	Advertiser
Game 1 _____		Game 8 _____		Game 15 _____	
Game 2 _____		Game 9 _____		Game 16 _____	
Game 3 _____		Game 10 _____		Game 17 _____	
Game 4 _____		Game 11 _____		Game 18 _____	
Game 5 _____		Game 12 _____		Game 19 _____	
Game 6 _____		Game 13 _____		Game 20 _____	
Game 7 _____		Game 14 _____			
Tiebreaker 1 game #1 _____		Tiebreaker 2 game #9 _____		Tiebreaker 3 game #20 _____	

## Avalanche Football contest Official Rules

(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your prediction for the games played, advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the tie breakers can not determine a winner, a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 pm Friday before each week's games. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 pm Friday. Mail to Crawford County Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office. Winner may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.

### WEEKLY PRIZES

- Sports Cap--Scheer Motors
- Mystery Gift--Sylvester's
- \$10 Gift Cert.--Grayling Glen's
- \$10 Gift Cert.--Abel Auto Parts
- FREE 20lb. Propane Cylinder Fill-Up --Fick & Sons
- \$50 Gift Cert.--Continental Rental & Sales
- One free lunch, a \$8.95 value --Grayling Holiday Inn
- Free lube, oil and filter
- Scott McNamara Ford-Mercury, Inc
- \$50--Crawford County Avalanche
- \$10 Gift Cert.--Riverland Gear
- \$5 Gift Cert. good on a 10" or 14" pizza --Buccilli's Pizza
- \$25 Gift Cert.--Comfort Center
- One House Specialty Burrito, a \$6.95 value -- Gray Rock
- Free Single Combo Meal --Wendy's
- 3 FREE Games -- American Legion

### Week #8 Winning Games

- |                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Detroit (23)     | 11. Miami          |
| 2. Buffalo          | 12. Indianapolis   |
| 3. Atlanta          | 13. Minnesota      |
| 4. Washington       | 14. Seattle (Mon.) |
| 5. Cleveland        | 15. Purdue         |
| 6. Jacksonville     | 16. Penn St.       |
| 7. N.Y. Giants      | 17. Florida        |
| 8. Tennessee        | 18. Ohio St.       |
| 9. Kansas City (34) | 19. Wisconsin      |
| 10. New England     | 20. U of M (65)    |

## Week #8 Football Contest Winner Nancy Root

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

- Won with 18 correct
- 128 Entries

1.) St. Louis vs Detroit

**3 Stores in One!**

**RIVERLAND**

122 Mich. Ave. • Grayling  
517-344-0047

6.) Jacksonville vs Atlanta

Ask me about the new 2000 cars, trucks and vans or close-out specials on all remaining 1999 models!

**DON NESTER**

Chevrolet Oldsmobile

John Herrick  
Located on M-76 N., Roscommon  
1-517-275-5105

11.) Denver vs San Diego

**ABEL AUTO PARTS**

- New & Used Parts Available • We Buy Wrecked Vehicles
- Best Prices In The North! • Late Model Repairables
- Country Wide Locator Service Available
- Lowest Prices On Gas Tanks & Radiators

Open Monday - Friday 8 am to 5 pm  
Located at 6255 Old 27 North, Frederic  
517-348-2864 • 1-800-848-4507 • Larry Myas

16.) Minnesota vs Penn St.

**Sylvester's Sports**

- Silk Screening
- Glass Etching
- Engraving • Trophies
- Vinyl Letters • Embroidery
- Banners • Awards • Flags

Larry Raymond  
5610 M-72 W., Grayling  
517-348-9097

2.) Arizona vs N.Y. Jets

**BIG SCREEN TV**

**Gray-Rock CAFE**

- Drink Specials
- Munchie Bar

Food & Spirits

OPEN AT 7:00 AM • 7 DAYS A WEEK  
2123 Industrial Dr., Grayling • 517-348-5181

7.) Kansas City vs Indianapolis

WHERE WE PURCHASER THE COMFORT AND THE BEST IS UP TO YOU

**COMFORT CENTER**

FREE DELIVERY

Grayling • M-72 West • 348-2961  
Prudenville • M-55 & M-18 South  
517-366-3808

12.) Pittsburgh vs San Francisco

**FICK & SONS**

PROPANE SERVICE

113 Fig St., Grayling  
517-348-7647

17.) Arkansas vs Mississippi

For service after the sale see **Cliff Wheeler**

**GM SCHEER MOTORS**

US-27 North, Grayling  
517-348-5451

3.) Baltimore vs Cleveland

**Hart**

Pontiac GMC Buick

1-800-341-HART

8.) Philadelphia vs Carolina

Try your luck, buy your lotto tickets here...

**Glen's**

FROM OUR FAMILY TO YOURS

13.) Tennessee vs Miami

**Alpine carpet**

Come in today & save! Lowest prices ever!

Celebrating over 25 years in business!

Just off I-75, Exit 270, Waters, MI  
517-732-1759 • 1-800-800-5791

18.) Toledo vs CMU

Join us for football in the **Speak Easy Saloon!**

Football on the Big Screen Sundays & Mondays  
Drink Specials Available

4.) Buffalo vs Washington

**American Legion Lounge & Lanes**

Join us and watch the games on our big screen TV

106 James Street  
348-7232

9.) Tampa Bay vs New Orleans

**Wendy's**

The best hamburgers and a whole lot more.™

2141 S. I-75 BUS. LP. • GRAYLING

14.) Dallas vs Minnesota

Guaranteed lowest prices on all new Ford's & Mercury's.

Largest selection of used cars & trucks in the North!

**SCOTT McNAMARA FORD-MERCURY, INC.**

M-18 • Roscommon, I-75 Business Loop  
(517) 275-8922 fax (517) 275-4643

19.) Northwestern vs U of M

**FARM BUREAU INSURANCE**

Paul Wilson  
204 Ionia, Grayling  
344-2500  
www.farmbureauinsurance-mi.com

5.) Chicago vs Green Bay

**CRAIG HINKLE**

RE/MAX OF GRAYLING

CONVENIENT LOCATION just outside city limits. Blacktop driveway and covered front porch. 11x20 family room with doorwall onto patio. Heated / insulated garage. Two storage buildings. This is a good quality ranch home with original decor. \$66,900 CH-870

5728 M-72 W., Grayling • 348-7440

10.) Cincinnati vs Seattle

**GM SCHEER MOTORS**

U.S. 27 North, Grayling  
517-348-5451

15.) Wisconsin vs Purdue

**Continental**

The Clear Leader in Rentals/Purchases

2404 S. I-75 Business Loop • Grayling  
348-2499

20.) Ohio St. vs MSU

**Buccilli's PIZZA**

Deliveries Starting At 11 am  
517-348-4044

## BUMPER TO BUMPER COVERAGE



We take the headache out of everything from minor fender benders to major damage.

**JANSEN**  
AGENCY & ASSOC., INC.

**Hastings Mutual Insurance Company**  
We're only there until you need us.

PO Box 472, 2370 S. I-75 Bus. Loop, Grayling, Michigan  
**348-6711**

# CAR CARE

## Use Child Car Seats Safely

**THE GROWING** awareness of safe driving and state safety laws has alerted the general public and parents to the importance of using car seats for their small children whenever

and wherever they are driving. Most states require the use of car seats for children under the age of four and weighing fewer than 40 pounds. However, serious neck and spinal injuries and even death can result if child car seats are used incorrectly.

While car accidents can be dangerous for all passengers, small children are especially at risk, according to Dr. Scott Bautch, president of the American Chiropractic Association's Council on Occupational Health.

"The weight of the head of a child makes the cervical spine much more vulnerable to injury," Dr. Bautch explained. "The infant has little control in the muscles of the neck, and the head can bounce from side to side and fall forward, which can cause serious spine and neck injuries."

The American Chiropractic Association, its Council on Occupational Health and ACA member Dr. Michael Freeman have developed the following guidelines and safety tips to ensure proper car seat safety:

- Make sure the child safety seat is appropriate for the age

and size of the child. A newborn infant requires a different seat than a three-year-old.

- The car seat should always be rear facing as the forces and impact of a crash will be spread more evenly along the back and shoulders, providing more protection for the neck.

- Car seats should always be placed in the back seat of the car. This is especially important in cars equipped with air bags. If an air bag becomes deployed, the force could seriously injure or kill a child or infant placed in the front seat.

- Make sure the car seat is properly secured to the seat of the vehicle and is placed at a 45-degree angle to support the head of the infant or child.

- The lap harness should be fastened low, as close to the hips as possible; the harness should never be fastened around the waist.

- Make certain the shoulder harness is fastened securely and the straps lay flat against the body. Twisted straps can cause additional injury and might prevent the seat from working properly.

- Use a retention clip (if provided by the manufacturer) when securing a child safety seat with the shoulder harness. The retention or shoulder harness clip is an added safety feature and must be fastened close to the armpit of the infant or child.

- Borrowing or purchasing a used car seat can be dangerous; there is the possibility of unknown or undetected damage. Car seats that have been in a serious accident should never be used again.

- Be sure the seat meets federal motor vehicle safety seat standards. Consult the owner's manual and instruction booklet.

- Be sure the clip between the legs of the child is fastened snugly. If you or one of your children are involved in a serious automobile accident and have experienced neck and back discomfort, you should consider a visit to a chiropractor.

For a free brochure about chiropractic care, or for a list of chiropractors in your area, call the American Chiropractic Association at 1-800-986-4636 or visit the ACA Web site at [www.amerchiro.org](http://www.amerchiro.org).

## Forecast: Cold Weather... Drive Safe with Dayton Tires

Buy Dayton tires and car service on revolving charge...get

**90 DAYS SAME AS CASH**

All finance charges refunded when paid as agreed

Minimum monthly payment required

If you have one of the credit cards below...



We can tell in minutes if you're eligible for revolving charges!



**DAYTON**  
Performance For Every Road

### Dayton Quadra® SE

- Angled Sides for Improved Traction
- Computer Generated Tread Design
- Solid Center Rib for Added Stability
- 55,000 Miles Limited Warranty



### Dayton® Timberline™ AT

- Tread Design Extends Tire Wear And Enhances Traction And Handling
- Smooth Ride From Polyester Cord Body



### Dayton Widetrack Wintertrax

- Zig zag siping exposes thousands of biting edges for enhanced wet, snow and ice traction.
- Designed for front, rear and all wheel drive applications.



### We Also Specialize in:

- Alignments • Shocks
- Struts • Brakes
- Tire Rotation & Repair



Mon. - Fri. 8 am to 5:30 pm • Sat. 8 am to 3 pm

## Prepare Now For Holiday Travel

**FAILURE TO GET** your vehicle ready for winter's conditions can do more than just spoil your holiday travel.

In fact, a breakdown in winter could be deadly, warn the experts at the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), the nonprofit organization that administers national certification tests to automotive technicians.

ASE offers the following tips to help motorists prepare. Some of the tips are easy; others require a professional technician.

• The basics. Read the owner's manual and become familiar with the various components and systems. Follow the recommended service schedules.

- Housekeeping. Wash and wax your vehicle to protect its finish. Inspect lights and bulbs. Replace worn wiper blades; keep plenty of washer fluid on hand; carry emergency gear—a shovel, a blanket, boots, snack food, a car phone, etc.

- Engine Oil. The oil and filter should be changed as specified

in your manual.

- Cooling System. The level, condition and concentration of the antifreeze should be checked periodically. The cooling system should be flushed and refilled as recommended. Let the engine cool off before working on the radiator. The tightness and condition of drive belts, clamps and hoses should be checked by a professional.

- Engine Performance. Problems with rough idling, hard starts, stalling or diminished power should be corrected before cold weather sets in. Describe any changes in performance to the service manager or a qualified technician.

- Heater/Defroster. To ensure comfort and safety, the heater and defroster must be in good working condition.

- Tires. Rotate tires about every 5,000 miles. The air pressure should be checked once a month; let the tires "cool down" first. Examine tires for cuts and nicks, uneven wearing and cupping. Check the spare, too. Note that some of today's body styles and tire packages are not compatible with tire chains.

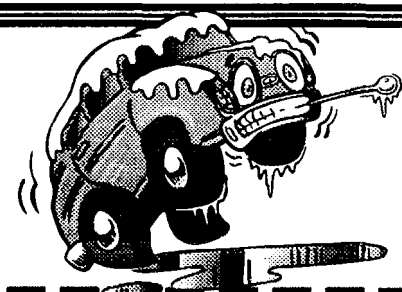
- Brakes. Brakes should be inspected as recommended in your manual, or sooner if you notice pulsations, grabbing, noises or longer stopping distances.

- Professional Technicians. If you are not a do-it-yourselfer, look for repair facilities that employ ASE-certified automotive technicians.

For a free brochure with winter maintenance tips, send a self-addressed, stamped business-sized envelope to: ASE Winter Brochure, Dept. NU-798, 13505 Dulles Technology Drive, Suite 2, Herndon, VA 20171-3421.

ASE was founded in 1972 as a nonprofit, independent organization dedicated to improving the quality of automotive service and repair through the voluntary testing and certification of automotive technicians.

ASE-certified technicians wear blue-and-white ASE shoulder insignia and carry credentials listing their exact area(s) of certification. Their employers often display the blue-and-white ASE sign.



## Get your car ready for winter and SAVE!

### WINTER INSPECTION

Includes inspection of belts, hoses, coolant condition, proper thermostat operation, exhaust system, lights, and operation of windshield wiper and washer components.

**\$14.95** Plus Tax

**\$10.00 Savings**



Coupon expires 11-30-99

### TIRE ROTATION

Includes Tire Rotation and Wheel Balance of all 4 Wheels

**\$10.00 SAVINGS**



Coupon expires 11-30-99

**\$19.95** Plus Tax

with this coupon

### PRE-WINTER TUNE-UP SPECIAL

4 CYLINDER CARS & LIGHT TRUCKS

6 CYLINDER CARS & LIGHT TRUCKS

**\$49.95** Plus Tax

**\$59.95** Plus Tax



Excludes platinum plugs & probes  
Coupon expires 11-30-99

### COOLING SYSTEM POWER FLUSH

Includes cooling system inspection, pressure test, power flush with Ford cooling system cleaner and addition of up to two gallons of coolant to -40°



Coupon expires 11-30-99

**\$44.95** Plus Tax

Any additional repairs extra.

### FRONT END ALIGNMENT

**2 WHEEL ALIGNMENT**  
**SAVE \$5.00**



**\$24.95** Plus Tax

4 Wheel alignment and installation of camber adjusting shims extra  
Coupon expires 11-30-99

### QUICK LUBE SPECIAL

Includes oil change, filter, and fluid top-off. Includes inspection of engine, brakes, tires, and lights. Includes a complimentary car wash.



Coupon expires 11-30-99

**\$2.95 OFF**

Call Corey, Clayton or Lee for your appointment at  
**517-348-3242**

1-75 Business Loop, Grayling



**Service Dept. Hours**  
Mon. 8 to 7 • Tues. - Fri. 8 to 5:30  
**Pennzoil Hours**  
Mon. - Fri. 8 to 5:30 pm • Sat. 9 to 3



# Seasonal Car Maintenance: Always A Good Investment

**WHETHER YOUR** winters are long and harsh or typically short and mild, getting your vehicle ready is a good investment. That's the word from the pros at the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE), a nonprofit group that tests and certifies automotive technicians.

Vehicles that receive regular, on-going maintenance run better, last longer, and command a higher resale value than neglected cars and trucks. ASE offers the following advice about getting your vehicle ready for cooler weather ahead:

- Don't procrastinate. Fall is the ideal time for a car checkup. You can undo the wear and tear of summer's heat, dust, and stop-and-go vacation traffic while preparing for the rigors of winter

driving.

- Read your owner's manual and follow the manufacturer's service intervals.

- Replace worn wiper blades and keep plenty of washer fluid on hand.

- Replace balding tires with all-season radials or snow tires, as conditions warrant. Don't forget to check the spare tire and tire jack.

- Have a qualified auto technician check the condition of your battery and cables, plus the radiator, and all hoses and belts.

- If you are not a do-it-yourselfer, find a repair shop with a courteous staff, qualified technicians and modern equipment. Reward good service with repeat business. Ask friends for their recommendations and check the reputation of the shop with your

local consumer organizations.

- Look for repair facilities that employ ASE-certified technicians. These professionals have taken national exams to prove their competency to their employers and to you. ASE-certified technicians wear blue and white insignia and carry credentials listing their exact areas of expertise, for example, brakes or engine repair. Shops and dealers which employ ASE-certified technicians often display the ASE sign in the customer area or near the service bays.

- Engine performance problems such as rough idling, poor acceleration or hard starts should be corrected before cold weather sets in. Stalling in the summertime is an inconvenience; it's potentially deadly in frigid winter conditions.

- For your comfort as well as visibility, make certain your heater and defroster are in good working condition.

- Have the exhaust system examined for leaks, a potentially deadly condition in closed cars.

- Carry emergency gear: flares, boots, gloves, ice scraper, high-energy snacks, blanket, shovel, flashlight, tire chains, a few tools, and a car phone or CB radio.

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence has prepared a brochure on winter auto maintenance.

For a free copy of Getting Your Vehicle Ready For Winter, send a self-addressed, stamped #10 envelope to: ASE Winter Brochure, Dept. NU-W98, 13505 Dulles Technology Drive, Suite 2, Herndon, VA 20171-3421.

## You May Be Ruining Your Car Without Even Knowing It

**YOU PROBABLY THINK** you already know the right way to take care of your car. Tom and Ray Magliozzi—"Click and Clack, The Tappet Brothers" from National Public Radio—would like to set the record straight.

"Millions of dollars are spent needlessly every year," they say, "because people don't know they're inadvertently ruining their cars."

Stop being so hard on your car, they say. Treat your vehicle gently and it will last longer.

Here are a few of Click and Clack's tips for lengthening your car's life, as featured on the cars.com Web site:

- Avoid jack-rabbit starts: What's wrong with sudden rapid acceleration? "When you slam your foot on the gas pedal, you start a chain reaction in which every piece of your drive train then gets slammed. You're wrecking your car."

- Start out right: Did you realize that 50 percent of all engine wear occurs in the first few seconds after you start the car?

Don't rev the engine when you start up. Drive gently for the first five minutes until the car gets warmed up. "And believe it or not, it takes more time to warm up the engine when it's sitting idle... just drive."

Click and Clack offer many more tips such as these in their car pamphlet. To read more fun car care tips, find answers to car repair questions or kill a few hours on the Internet, visit the Car Talk area of cars.com.

"There are some ways in which cars are like people," Tom

Magliozzi observed. To which, brother Ray could not resist adding: "Right. Old and falling apart, like my brother."

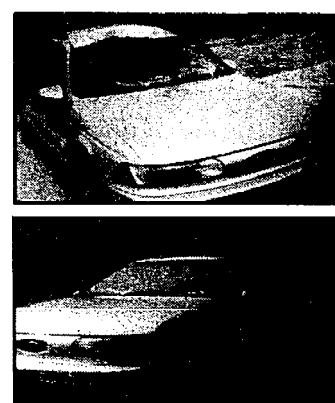
Cars.com is quickly becoming the premier resource for automotive information, including an inventory of new and used vehicles. Other interactive features let users read reviews from leading auto writers, explore financing options and calculate payment schedules.

For continuously updated and trusted automotive information, visit [www.cars.com](http://www.cars.com).

**Crawford County**  
**Avalanche -**  
**Your Weekly**  
**Source For**  
**Winter Car Care**  
**Needs!**

**AVALANCHE**  
P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738

**We're Here When**  
**You Need Us....**



We provide TLC for your car! Getting the job done right is our first priority. Your satisfaction is guaranteed!

**SHOWTIME**  
**Collision**

1/2 mile west of the Manistee River on M-72 • (517) 348-8090  
Monday - Friday, 7:45 am to 5 pm • Saturdays by appointment



**Goodwrench**  
**Service**

**Offers you**  
**More**  
**FOR**  
**LESS!**

GM Goodwrench Service Plus is more than just another way to service your vehicle - it's a better way. Because GM Goodwrench Service Plus has highly trained technicians who know your GM vehicle inside and out.

*Plus*  
*Plus*  
*Plus*  
*Plus*

**UP-FRONT COMPETITIVE PRICING**  
Which means no surprises when the bill comes.

**COURTESY TRANSPORTATION**

After you drop off your vehicle, we'll take you where you want to go.

**CONVENIENT HOURS**

Extended hours so you can bring your vehicle in for service when it's convenient for you.

**LIFETIME SERVICE GUARANTEE**

Parts and labor are covered for as long as you own your GM vehicle. See dealer for details of this limited warranty. Covered parts include:

- Air Conditioning Accumulator
- Air Conditioning Compressor
- Air Conditioning Condenser
- CV Joint/Boot Seal Kit
- Ignition Module
- Ignition Coils
- EGR Valve
- Fuel Injectors
- Fuel Pump
- Ignition Wire Set
- Individual Ignition Wires
- New/Remanufactured Generator
- New/Remanufactured Starter Motor
- Oxygen Sensor
- Shock Absorbers/Struts
- Throttle Body Injector
- Water Pump

Product lines carry their own separate Limited Lifetime Warranties: AC Delco DuraStop Brakes. See us for details.



**Two New**  
**Certified Technicians**  
Josh Tury  
Paul Bruno

### OIL AND FILTER SPECIAL

- Drain & replace up to 5 quarts of engine oil
- Install Genuine GM Oil Filter
- Check all fluid levels, lights & wipers
- Check and adjust tire pressure
- Lube doors, hood, hinges & locks

**\$1999**

QUICK LUBE Plus

Goodwrench

No Appointment Necessary For  
Our Lube, Oil & Filter Change.  
29 Minutes Or Less  
Or Your Next One Is FREE

Goodwrench Service Plus

Some models slightly higher.  
(Each additional quart of oil \$1.00)

Plus tax where applicable. Present coupon during write-up. Not valid with other coupons or advertised specials. Expires 2/1/00

### WHEEL BALANCE/TIRE ROTATION/BRAKE INSPECTION SPECIAL

- Computer balance 4 wheels
- Rotate tires
- Inspect front pads & rotors
- Inspect rear linings & drums

Goodwrench Service Plus

**\$2995**

Plus tax where applicable. Present coupon during write-up. Not valid with other coupons or advertised specials. Expires 2/1/00

### AUTOMATIC TRANS- MISSION SERVICE

**\$4495**

Some Models  
slightly higher

Goodwrench Service Plus

- Drain & replace transmission fluid
- Replace filter screen
- Adjust throttle linkage
- Replace pan gasket if necessary
- Road test

Plus tax where applicable. Present coupon during write-up. Not valid with other coupons or advertised specials. Expires 2/1/00

### FRONT END ALIGNMENT

- Precision front end alignment
- Adjust caster, camber and toe-in (where applicable)

Goodwrench Service Plus

**\$2495**

Plus tax where applicable. Present coupon during write-up. Not valid with other coupons or advertised specials. Expires 2/1/00

### COOLING SYSTEM SERVICE

- Inspect & pressure test system for leaks
- Check hoses, belts & clamps
- Drain, flush & refill system with 2 gallons antifreeze

**\$4495**

Goodwrench Service Plus

Plus tax where applicable. Present coupon during write-up. Not valid with other coupons or advertised specials. Expires 2/1/00

### TIRE ROTATION & BRAKE INSPECTION SPECIAL

**\$1995**

- Rotate 4 tires
- Check/correct tire pressure
- Inspect for leaks & rear brakes, tires for irregular wear & damage

Goodwrench Service Plus

Plus tax where applicable. Present coupon during write-up. Not valid with other coupons or advertised specials. Expires 2/1/00

**The "Plus"**  
**Means Better!!**

**SCHEER**  
**MOTORS**

U.S. 27 North • Grayling  
517-348-5451 • 1-800-968-8848

## The #1 Cause of Disability: Low Back Pain



Eight out of ten adults will experience a low back problem at some time in their lives. With back problems so widespread, chances are, you too will experience back problems at some time.

While some patients seek chiropractic care only when pain is unbearable, this "crisis" approach often costs more in the long run—in time, stress, and dollars. Evidence, and the experiences of millions of chiropractic patients, suggests that spinal manipulation is, in many cases, the most effective approach to reducing low back pain and helping recovery.

Call us for more information or to arrange an appointment.

### DENHOLM FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC

"Pain management with a personal touch."  
(517) 348-6600 888-DENHOLM (336-4656)  
Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
403 Huron Street (M72-East), Grayling

## So Much To Smile About

Property

Auto

Multipolicy  
Discounts



Life

Liability

Health

Call Us - With More Companies to  
Choose From, We Will Save You Money!

### GRAYLING INSURANCE AGENCY

2375 S. I-75 Business Loop Grayling

(517) 348-2851

Located next to Century 21 • Across from Glen's

## COMPLETE AUTO DETAILING

Get your car, truck or  
van ready for winter!

Call for an appointment and  
we'll wash, wax, shampoo  
carpets, clean windows, vacuum  
trunk. As close to new as  
you'll ever get!!



### JJ's Motor Mall

M-72 West (across from Skip's Sport Shop)

348-7710

Your Hometown "Connection"  
For Fair Car Prices!!



For your convenience,

will be open

for Propane Cylinder & R.V. Refills.

113 Fig St. • Grayling • (517) 348-7647



## Students get taste of apple harvest

For an autumn-time field trip, Mrs. Brunell's kindergarten classes visited Rennie's Apple Orchard near Traverse City recently.

The children were treated to a hay ride and an opportunity to play in a real haystack.

Orchard staff members taught the children about the different varieties of apples grown and allowed them to pick one of their own right off the tree.

While sitting in an authentic teepee, students learned about Johnny Appleseed and ate their lunch.

They also got to see a huge oak tree that dates back 200 years.



**WAGON RIDE** - Mrs. Brunell's Blue Group enjoys a wagon ride at Rennie's Apple Orchard. On the wagon are Jessica Fik, Mikaela Parish, Shaylee Evans, Luke Nielson, Christopher Phillips, Steven Enos, Mathew Holton, Mrs. Tammy Fitzpatrick, Randy Davis, Travis Schreiber, Jessica Reynolds, Zach Schreiber, Scott Kahn and Mrs. Mary Phelps.

### ABC'S OF APPLES -

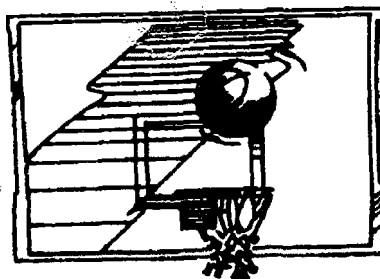
Mrs. Brunell's Yellow Group listen to orchard owner Mr. Rennie as he teaches them all about apples. In the group are: Jacob Demaray, Mrs. Mary Phelps, Scott Taylor, Devon Dawson, Matthew Pegouskie, Steven Olszewski, Mrs. Randall, Kayla Kirk, Emma Tipton, Tyler Theaker, Johnathan Wolford, Bryce Holland, Amber Franklin, Melissa White and Michayla Hall-Gorski.

## FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News

**HALLOWEEN SPOOK-FEST** - The costume contest winners at the Spookfest are: there was a four way tie for the 0 - 4 year olds, Gunner Metzger, Dustin Shear, Brooke LeBlanc and Kaiti La Blanc. For the 5 - 8 year olds, Breezy Dutton and Aaron Stephan tied for first place, Brittany Cannoy played second and Erica White was third. Maranda Shear and Alan Lehman tied for first place among the 9 - 12 year olds, with Justin Riehle placing second and Sierra Dyer third.

**BOYS BASKETBALL**



Registration is open for K-6. The program will start Saturday, November 13. K - 1 will meet at Grayling Middle School from 9 a.m. - 10 a.m., while grades 2 - 3 will meet there from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. Grades 4 - 6 will meet at Grayling High School.

### WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

This program will begin November 23. For more information, call (517) 348 - 9266 or e-mail han-hills@mich.com.

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for your week ahead: Money doesn't make you happy, but it may quiet your nerves.

Things that are happening at the center:

**November 3** - Hearing Clinic by appointment; Wendy's Bingo, 5:30 p.m.

**November 4** - Lucky 7 Casino trip - call 348-7123 for reservation.

**November 5** - Pantry Bingo, 1 p.m.

**November 6** - Craft and Bake sale; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**November 7** - Brunch

**November 8** - Hangman, 5:30 p.m.

**November 9** - Surplus food distribution at Eagles Club, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Ellie Mae's Country-Western Dance, 5:30 p.m.;

**November 10** - Commodities distribution at Eagles Club, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.; Out-to-Lunch Gang to Houghton Lake, 5:30 p.m.; November birthdays celebration, 5:30 p.m.; White Elephant Auction after celebration.

**November 11** - Foot Clinic by

appointment, call 348-7123 for reservations; Blood pressures and sugars taken, 11 a.m. - noon.

**November 12** - Frederic satellite-call for reservations at 348-7123; Pantry Bingo, 1 p.m.

Meals are available at noon, Monday through Friday and at 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

**NOVEMBER MENU:** Lunch/Dinner 3 - Beef Stroganoff/Parmesan chicken

4 Pot roast/Liver and onions

5 - Kielbasa and Kraut/no dinner

8 - Fish Fillets/Roast Pork

9 - Stuffed Turkey/Oven Chicken

10 - Chicken and Biscuits/BBQ

Pork

11 - Roast Beef/Stuffed Ham

12 - Sweet and Sour Chicken/no dinner

**November 23** - traditional Thanksgiving dinner served in two sessions, at noon and at 5 p.m. Call 348-7123 for reservations and specify the time you'll be coming.

Thought to leave you with: History repeats itself, but never at a lower price.

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

The following complaints were received by the Grayling City Police Department from October 24 through October 30:

Two animal control complaints; one misdemeanor arrest; two assaults; four assists to other departments; five breaking and enterings; three city ordinance violations; three civil complaints; two domestic complaints; 11 juvenile complaints; five larcenies; one private property accident; one traffic accident; one suspicious situation; two motor vehicle thefts, nine non-classified complaints.

Six traffic warnings were also given.

A total of 52 complaints were handled by the Grayling City Police Department during the one-week period.

## MILITARY NEWS

Air Force Airman Scott M. Bowers has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

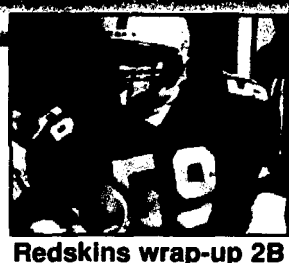
During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Bowers is the son of Denise and Kim Parkinson of Grayling and a 1999 graduate of Grayling High School.

[www.townnews.com/avalanche/](http://www.townnews.com/avalanche/)





Redskins wrap-up 2B

Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, November 4, 1999

## Varsity team holds off Spartans

► **Steady offense racks up 79 points in win over Pinny**

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The Varsity Girls Basketball squad rebounded well last Tuesday from a loss the week before at Tawas, beating the visiting Pinconning Spartans by 21 points.

Grayling held off a couple strong runs by Pinconning en route to a 79-58 win. GHS took an early lead, and stayed ahead of the Spartans the entire game.

Vikings Andrea Elmy and Carrie Cadeau opened the first quarter scoring with a shot inside and a three pointer, respectively.

For much of the quarter the two teams pushed the ball down the court trying to take advantage of transitions, but with little success. Toward the end of the first period, Grayling slowed the pace and started running a more controlled, steady offense.

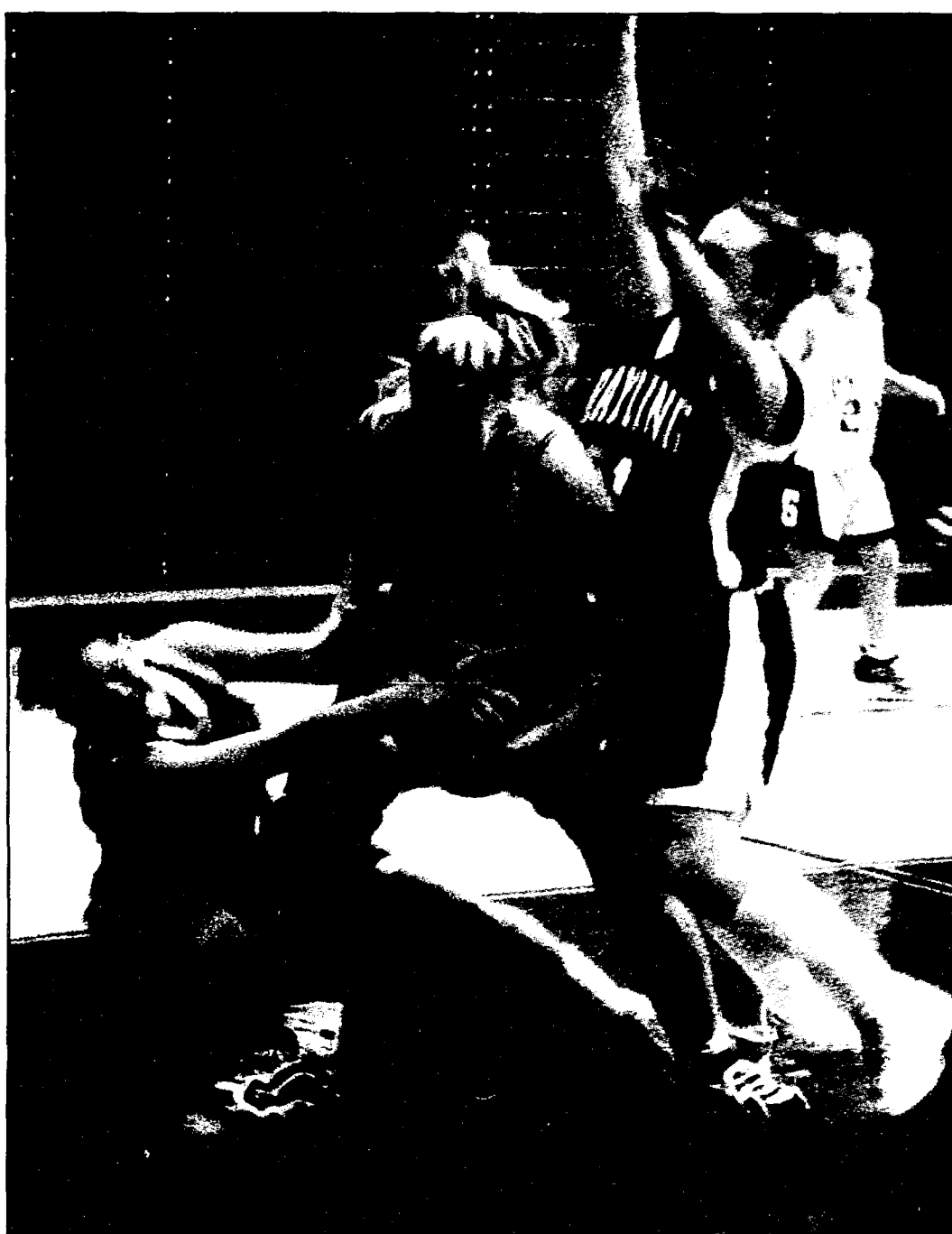
Points by Brandy Ritter, Lori Hinkle, Cadeau, and Melanie Paxton helped the Vikings build up a nine-point lead by the first quarter buzzer, 17-8.

The teams more or less traded baskets for much of the second period. Towards the end of the half, Pinconning made a solid run. The Spartans shot well from the floor, and managed to cut the GHS lead to six by halftime, 38-32.

Using good rebounding under the basket, Pinconning continued to stay with the Vikes early in the third period.

With 5:56 remaining in the third, the Spartans hit one of two free throws to cut the GHS lead to as lit-

**Continued on Page 2B**  
Please see "Varsity team..."



Kristy Hulbert (left) fights for the ball while Tanya Helsel stands her ground against a Gaylord opponent.

Photo by Linda Golinick

## JV basketball squad wins 2 more games

► **Vikes beat Pinny at home, Devils at Gaylord to move to 15-1 for the season**

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The JV girls basketball team had another big start last Tuesday, outscoring the Pinconning Spartans by 23 points in the first quarter to set the pace in what would ultimately be a 36-point Viking win.

Grayling opened the game with 28 points in the first eight-minute period, as many points as Pinconning ended up scoring the entire game.

Coincidentally, in a Tuesday night game a week before, the JV team opened with a 28-5 first quarter, the same lead that Grayling took into the second period of last Tuesday's game with the Spartans.

GHS scored the first points of the match on a lay-up by Tracy Parkinson and two free throws by Michele Elsner.

Pinconning then hit a basket and a three-pointer, the team's only scores of the quarter. Grayling's defense played strong, anticipating passes and stealing the ball, stifling the Spartan offense. Steals on defense resulted in several Grayling scores as the Vikings moved quickly to the basket on turnovers and converted for points.

After the Pinconning triple, the Vikings scored 24 unanswered points.

Emily Henion scored on a drive, followed by two baskets by Gina Thompson. Jamie Dent scored two

buckets inside, and Elsner scored four more points on two free throws and a shot under the basket. Parkinson scored on a drive to the hoop and Kelly Jansen hit a jump shot near the end of the quarter. Thompson rounded out the period's scoring with a move to the basket on a nice dish by Henion.

The game evened out a little more in the second quarter, as GHS edged Pinconning 13-11 in the period. After points by Dent, Thompson, Nicole Larm and Henion GHS led 41-16 after the first half of regulation.

Grayling scored 10 points in the third quarter on a move to the basket by Henion, four points by Elsner, and two drives by Dent. GHS held Pinconning to six points, extending the Viking lead to 29 after three quarters, 51-22.

GHS opened the final period with 10 unanswered points, including four points by Thompson, a lay-up by Jansen, a jumper by Larm, and a shot inside by Alexis Sumner.

The Vikings held the Spartans to six fourth quarter points, and finished 36 points ahead of Pinconning, 64-28.

Eight Vikings scored points in the game. Thompson led with 16. Dent and Elsner each scored 12, and Parkinson, Henion, and Larm each put in six points.

Grayling also beat the Gaylord Blue Devils last week at Gaylord. The wins moved Grayling's '99 season record up to 15-1.

On Thursday, November 4, the JV team will host Bay City John Glenn at 6:15 p.m. BCJG is the only team the Vikings have lost to this year.

## Freshmen girls beat Blue Devils

► **Vikes overcome a slow start, win by 14 against visiting Gaylord freshmen**

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

Grayling's Freshmen Girls Basketball team beat the visiting Gaylord Blue Devils last week, overcoming an early deficit to take the game by 14 points, 53-39.

The Viking offense was slow to develop, as turnovers cost Grayling several scoring opportunities and shots weren't falling.

Gaylord started off the game with a 7-0 run, but the Vikings tightened their defense and started to put some points on the board toward the end of the first quarter.

Kim Mitchell, Danielle Beckwith, Britni Baker, and Kate Nickert scored points for Grayling in the opening period.

Gaylord led 14-10 after one.

The Vikings started playing more aggressively on the defensive end, racking up steals.

With about five minutes left in the first half, shots inside by Nickert and Jessica Green gave Grayling a five point lead over the Blue Devils, 20-15. Grayling would not relinquish the lead for the remainder of the contest.

Gaylord pulled within one after converting four free throws on two trips to the line, but Grayling fin-

ished the half with five points by Green and a jump shot by Nickert to lead 29-22 at halftime.

Forced passing and turnovers continued to hurt Grayling's offensive effort, but the Vikes stayed even with the Blue Devils in the third quarter, as both teams hit for 12 points in the period.

The Vikings scored on a jumper by Beckwith, eight points by Mitchell, and a shot inside by Green.

Grayling led by seven, 41-34, going into the fourth quarter.

The Vikings ran a controlled passing offense in the fourth to burn a lot of clock. Gaylord did not shoot well from the floor or the free throw line in the period.

Grayling's offense put another 12 points on the board on baskets by Mitchell and Green, both of whom played well down the stretch.

The Blue Devils did not hit a fourth quarter field goal until the 1:30 mark, and only scored five points in the period.

Grayling won 53-39.

Mitchell and Green were the Grayling high scorers with 21 and 17 points, respectively.

On Wednesday, November 3, the Viking freshmen team will play at home against Saginaw Valley Lutheran at 6:15 p.m. On Monday, November 8, the Vikes will head to Bay City. Grayling will play its final game of the '99 season at home against Kalkaska on Wednesday, November 10, at 6:15 p.m.

## Two GHS runners qualify for State

► **Kathy Wyman, Karen Wyman place 12th and 15th out of 100 at Regionals**

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

GHS Cross Country runners Kathy Wyman and Karen Wyman qualified to compete in the upcoming State Meet by placing 12th and 15th, respectively, at Regionals last weekend.

Only the top 20 finishers out of a field of approximately 100 female runners qualified for State. Medals were awarded to those placing in the top 15, so the Wymans also qualified as medalists at Regionals.

"Our girls did really well," said Coach Ron Rakoczy. "Half the schools in Regionals we'd never competed against. That makes it hard: you never know what you're going up against."

"We're not like football or basketball, we don't do any pre-meet scouting," Rakoczy said. "That makes it tough."

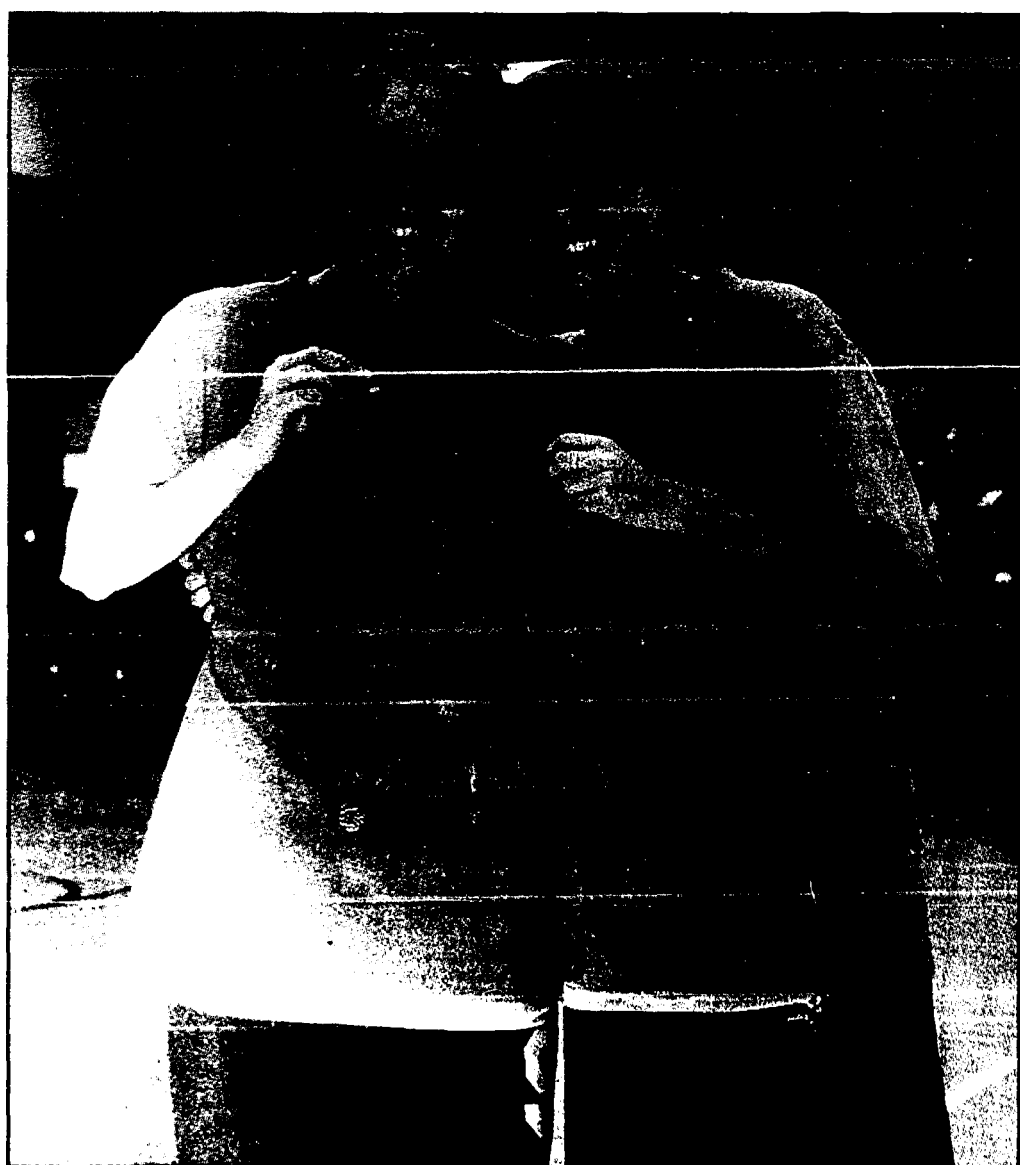
As a team, the Viking boys squad finished 10th out of 18 teams.

The GHS girls team placed 9th out of 18.

Kathy Wyman and Karen Wyman will compete in the State Cross Country Meet this weekend at the Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, MI.


The '99 season ended for the rest of the GHS cross country team members at Regionals.

**Continued on Page 3B**  
Please see "Two GHS..."




GHS runners Kathy Wyman (left) and Karen Wyman display the medals they earned at Regionals last weekend.

Photo by Linda Golinick




## GRAYLING PHYSICAL THERAPY



**Pat Cosgrove**  
Physical Therapist (PT),  
Master of Orthopedic Manual  
Therapy (MOMT), Orthopedic  
Certified Specialist (OCS)

"We Specialize In  
Providing Top  
Quality Physical  
Therapy Services  
To Patients With  
Orthopedic, Sports  
& Work-Related  
Injuries."



**Jackie Bindschattel**  
Office Manager

**Physical Therapy helps develop muscle control  
and balance to prevent faulty movement  
patterns which often lead to pain.**

**Orthopedic, Sports & Work Rehabilitation**  
200 Huron St., Suite 200, Grayling  
**348-3027**

# Varsity team holds off Spartans

Continued from Page 1B

Grayling then went on a 19-6 run for the rest of the quarter. Kristy Hulbert, Mika Sumner, Ritter, Paxton, Elmy, Hinkle and Cadeau all scored for GHS in the period.

The Vikes led by 16 going into the fourth quarter, 61-45.

Grayling played much better on the boards in the fourth, and continued to points on the board with a steady offensive attack.

The Vikes outscored Pinconning 18-13 down the stretch to maintain a lead, and won by a final score of 79-58.

Ten Vikings scored in the game. Ritter led with 19 points. Cadeau added 13 points. Paxton scored nine, and Elmy and Hulbert each hit for eight points.

"It was exciting," Coach Chris Dunclekey said of the win. "We were coming off a loss at Tawas where

we didn't play well. We're just taking it one day at a time."

Grayling also played on Thursday of last week, at Gaylord.

After scoring almost 80 points two nights earlier, the Grayling offense struggled against the Blue Devils, scoring just 34 points.

"Defensively we did well," said Coach Dunclekey. "Offensively, we didn't put it together. We shot 13 out of 60 from the floor. You're not going to win doing that. It was a tough night."

The team's record now stands at 10-6.

On Thursday, November 4, the varsity team will host Bay City John Glenn.

The Vikings will play at Standish Sterling Central on Tuesday, November 9, and will return to the home court on Thursday, November 11, for the final game of the regular season.



Brandy Ritter takes a shot from the charity stripe. Andrea Elmy gets ready to rebound.

## Grayling Redskins finish '99 season

► Annual raffle winners announced

The four Grayling Redskins football teams combined for an overall record of 16 wins and 9 losses this year.

The two freshmen teams, both of which consist of 5th and 6th graders, ended the season with a combined 9-2 won/lost record.

The Redskins Varsity team finished the 1999 season with a 24-7

win over the Rogers City Bears at Atlanta for the team's Super Bowl game.

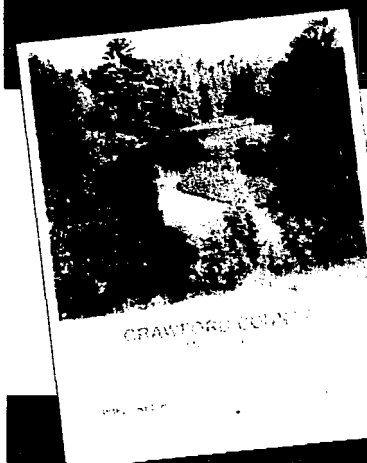
The varsity squad ended with a 4-4 record.

The JV Redskins team (7th graders) posted a 3-3 record this year.

This season marks the eighth year the Redskins have been a member of the Sam Youth Football League.

The winners of the annual Redskins raffle are as follows: 1st prize, autographed Fedorov Red Wings jersey, Dave Thorley; 2nd prize, Detroit Lions football autographed by Herman Moore, Roxanne Brown; 3rd prize, Thunder Flite Tree Stand Hunting Bow, Karen Curtis; 4th prize, \$100 Grand Traverse Mall shopping spree, John Cottenham.

## Crawford County Plat Book



More than a map...  
a land atlas with information on every township in the county...land ownership names, shape of land owned, acreage, roads, lakes, streams, rivers and city maps.

**The Plat Book can be purchased at:**

- Milltown Title & Escrow  
502 Norway
- MSU Extension Service  
County Building, Grayling
- Frederic Township  
7564 County Road 612
- Crawford County Avalanche  
102 Michigan Ave., Grayling


...OR BY MAIL BY CALLING  
**CRAWFORD-ROSCOMMON  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
(517) 275-5231

**\$2500**

Shipping & Handling  
Extra

### DuBois Lumber

#### Viking of the Week

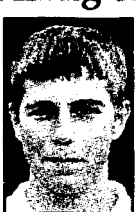



Varsity Girls Basketball  
Coach: Chris Dunclekey  
**ANDREA ELMY**

Andrea, a senior, was selected for improvement on the low post. Elmy scored eight points against Pinconning last week.


### Chemical Bank

#### Viking of the Week

Boys Soccer  
Coach: Karen Langseth  
**JAMES KENNEY,  
ERIC HUNTER &  
JAMES LAWRENCE**

Kenney (left), Hunter (right) and Lawrence (not pictured), all freshmen, put in quality minutes for the GHS soccer team in their first season. All three had an assist last week.



**IT'S HARD TO CONFRONT A  
FRIEND WHO ABUSES HIS WIFE.  
BUT NOT NEARLY AS HARD  
AS BEING HIS WIFE.**

Do you know your friend is an abuser. Do you ignore it or bring it up? Ignoring it is easy. Bringing it up is awkward. You could lose a friend. But maybe bringing it up is the only way to really be a friend. Telling him you know, telling him it's wrong, telling him it's a punishable crime, could be doing him a big favor. Maybe he needs someone to talk to. Maybe he needs someone to say, "No, it's not OK." But more important than his feelings, his wife's well-being, her very life may be in your hands. We can give you some information that may help. Call us at 1-800-END ABUSE.

If you are being abused or you suspect that someone you know is being abused, at River House Advocate is always here to talk to you. You do not need to reveal your name, but if you do, confidentiality will be maintained. Call us at 1-800-END ABUSE. Crisis Support Line: 1-888-554-3169 or local at 348-8972.

THERE'S NO EXCUSE  
FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.



Family Violence  
Prevention Fund

news, sports, features...  
visit our web site:  
[www.townnews.com/avalanche/](http://www.townnews.com/avalanche/)

## We Can Save You Time And Money

One-stop shopping. Drop off your prescription, do your shopping then pick up your prescription.

Fast, no-wait, friendly service.

All major third-party plans accepted.

Complete line of generics.

Plenty of free, convenient parking.



### Glen's Pharmacy Wants to Serve You

Look at the services and conveniences we offer:

- ☑ Free drug allergy screening.
- ☑ Computerized records for your tax and insurance purposes.
- ☑ Drug leaflet, proper use of drugs, methods of administration; potential side effects and proper storage.

We are dedicated to making sure you get the right price on all your prescriptions with the best possible service.



Pharmacy Hours:

Monday-Saturday, 9 am - 6 pm • Closed Sunday

**(517) 348-5335**

Located in Glen's Market, I-75 Business Loop S.

## BLOCKBUSTER has more of the HITS

Brandon Fraser  
THE MUMMY  
Keanu Reeves Laurence Fishburne  
MATRIX

Steve Martin Goldie Hawn  
OUT-OF-TOWNERS

Jeff Daniels Christopher Lloyd  
MY FAVORITE MARTIAN

Sandra Bullock Ben Affleck  
FORCES OF NATURE

Animated Classic  
Prince of Egypt

Glenn Close Liv Tyler Chris O'Donnell  
COOKIE'S FORTUNE

The Other Sister

**REWARDS™**

Join BLOCKBUSTER Rewards™  
and get FREE Rentals all year long.  
See store for details.

**BLOCKBUSTER  
VIDEO**

TRAVERSE CITY • BOYNE CITY  
GRAYLING • PETOSKEY • ACME  
CHARLEVOIX • EAST JORDAN



# Two GHS runners qualify for State

Continued from Page 1B

Coach Rakoczy said the team has had some success overall this season, including a few first place finishes at dual meets and tri-meets. Also, the team's numbers were up this year compared with last season.

"The team was larger than last year," he said. "We had 17 members, and we were bigger than the average school. A lot of other schools we went up against had an

average of 11 to 13. Our numbers were up, so we kind of hit the goal there, more or less."

"Basically we had a fun season," Rakoczy said. "As a team, we usually finished in the middle of the pack. We did really well with the dual and tri-meets, with some firsts in there."

Rakoczy hopes the GHS cross country team will continue to progress and grow in player numbers next season.

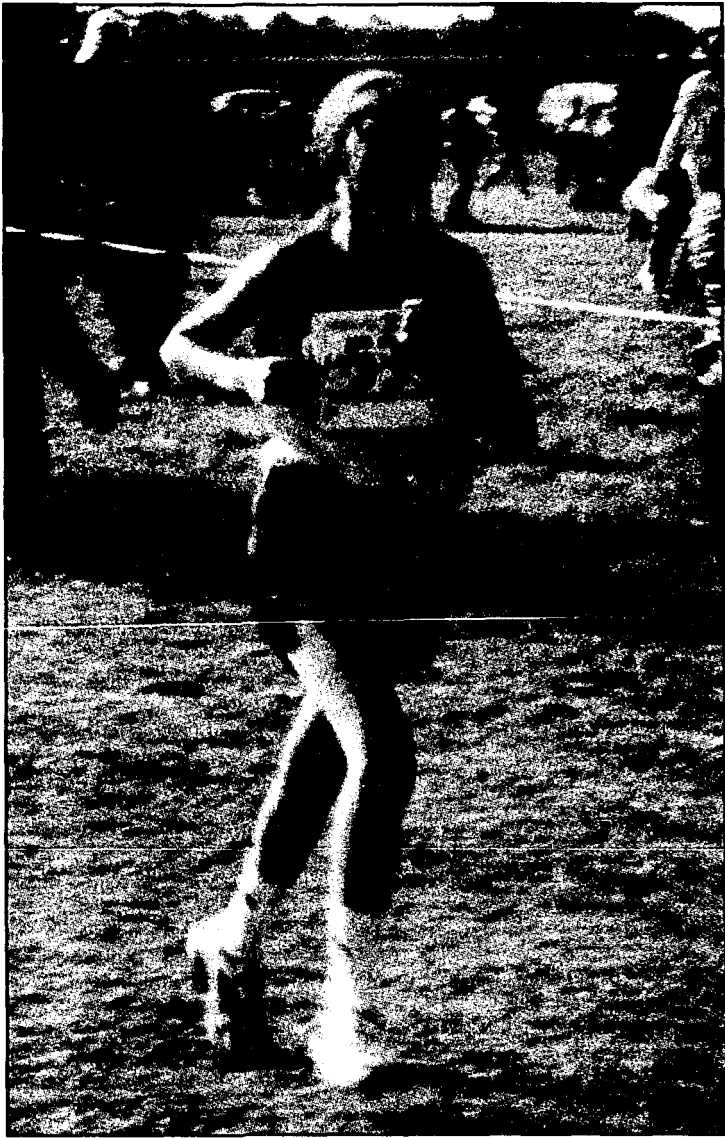


Photo by Linda Golnick

GHS runner Monica Safin competes at Regionals.



Karen and Kathy Wyman run at the Regionals competition. Both qualified for State at the event.

## Glen's Market

### Viking of the Week



Cross Country  
Coach: Ron Rakoczy

**KATHY WYMAN &  
KAREN WYMAN**

Kathy and Karen Wyman have been finishing well all year, and last weekend qualified to compete in the State Meet to be held this Saturday. They finished 12th and 15th (out of 100) at Regionals to qualify for State.

# CELLULARONE®

**BEFORE  
THE  
HOLIDAYS  
SPECIAL...**

Nokia 918  
Handheld

**FREE!**

With 2-Year Contract\*



\*SOME RESTRICTIONS APPLY.

RETAIL SALES LOCATIONS • CALL 1-800-CELLONE FOR THE LOCATION NEAREST YOU!  
Gaylord ..... 517-732-0032 Alpena ..... 517-354-7441 Escanaba ..... 906-786-2544 Newberry ..... 906-293-3654  
Grayling ..... 517-348-6255 Cheboygan ..... 231-627-3059 Sault Ste. Marie 906-635-1309 St. Ignace ..... 906-643-8058  
AGENT LOCATIONS  
Escanaba • Gaylord • Hessel • Indian River • Kalkaska • Lewiston • Manistique • Mio • Munising • Onaway • Ossineke • Rogers City • Sault Ste. Marie • Traverse City



A STORY THAT EVERY BANK WOULD LIKE TO TELL,  
BUT ONLY EMPIRE BANK CAN.

## Deanna and the Blustery Day

It was a dark and stormy day. As rain began to fall, Deanna Lamb,

an operations specialist at our Grand Traverse Mall branch, looked



outside and knew what she had to do. An elderly

customer was struggling in the wind and rain to

get from his car to his wheelchair. He had come

[ Deanna Lamb ] to Empire Bank to open a checking account.

Dodging raindrops, Deanna went out to the parking lot and

helped him open an account right there in his car. She explained to

him how to use his checks, and she ordered sight-impaired

checks for easy reading. Then she went inside to wring herself out.

Just another day at Empire.

This really happened.

Signed,

*Jim Dutmers*

Jim Dutmers  
Chairman, Empire Bank

*Respectfully*  
**Empire National Bank**  
Member FDIC

## K of C Fish Fry & Wing Ding Dinner

### First Friday of Month - Baked or Fried Fish

Potatoes • Coleslaw • Beverage • Dessert  
**\$7.00 Adults • \$6.00 Seniors • \$4.00 Children**  
**Under 5 FREE • Check Out Hall Rental Rates**  
**5 - 7 p.m. • PUBLIC INVITED • 5 - 7 p.m.**

## Grayling Family Dentistry

**C. Thomas Riegle, D.D.S.**  
**205 Meadows Drive, Grayling**  
**348-4300**

Complete Family Dentistry

Payment plan available for those who qualify



**NEW PATIENTS WELCOME**

**EMERGENCY CARE**

"We practice dentistry with a heart"



**We Guarantee It... Or Your Money Back!**

**Tuesday's**  
**November 9th**  
**& 23rd**

**Keyport Clinic**

Office of Dr. T.C. Rosi  
**308 Michigan Ave • Grayling**  
*(same block as Post Office & Kialto Theatre)*  
**9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

Walk-ins are welcome, however to avoid waiting call Sandy toll-free for an appointment 1-800-872-4074.

**FREE**  
**Hearing Exam\***  
*How is your hearing... find out!*

**FREE**  
**Ear Canal Inspection**  
*A hearing loss may be nothing more than earwax!*

**FREE**  
**Cleaning & Tuning**  
*Any hearing aid make or model!*

**\$200 OFF**

**Miracle-Ear** The regular purchase price of any binaural Miracle-Ear Hearing System (2 instruments) with this coupon. Not valid with other offers, discounts or insurance. Good only from participating Miracle-Ear Representatives. Limit one coupon per purchase.

**Battery Special**

**Miracle-Ear** **JUST \$2.99!** Per Package of Miracle-Ear hearing aid batteries when you purchase 3 packages of batteries - good for all makes and models. Regular Price \$5.99 Per Package

**NEXT MONTH: Tuesday • December 14th & 28th**

PROVIDERS FOR BLUE-CROSS BLUE SHIELD • BLUE CARE NETWORK AETNA • MEDICAID AND MOST OTHER INSURANCES

## BOWLING LEAGUE

**American Men's**  
 CSI Ind Sys ..... 29 - 20  
 Fentons Auto ..... 28 - 21  
 Stake-Out Steak House ..... 27 - 22  
 McLean's ACE ..... 26 - 23  
 Forrest Bros. .... 26 - 23  
 Helsel Forest Products ..... 25.5 - 23.5  
 Upper Lakes Tire ..... 20 - 29  
 Moores Automotive ..... 14.5 - 34.5  
 High Game: T. Devins, 215; L. Davis, 212; L. Davis, 212; J. Golnick, 212; M. Keir, 212.  
 High Series: J. Golnick, 584; L. Davis, 570; T. Devins, 552.

**Friday Mixed Doubles**  
 Aunt Betty's ..... 21 - 11  
 Charlie's Country Corner ..... 18 - 14  
 Moshier Auto Repair ..... 17 - 15  
 Sledheads of Frederic ..... 14 - 18  
 R. Calkins & Sons ..... 14 - 18  
 Fick & Sons ..... 12 - 20  
 High Game Men: R. Moshier, 213, 201; C. Hanson, 194; J. Campbell, 187.  
 High Series Men: R. Moshier, 578; M. Sumner, 479; J. Campbell, 467.  
 High Game Women: M. Moshier, 187; L. Hanson, 158; K. Trudeau, 156.  
 High Series Women: M. Moshier, 479; K. Moshier, 425; S. Sumner, 421.

**National First**  
 Century 21 ..... 40 - 16  
 Hellebuyck Masonry ..... 34 - 22  
 Faustman's Insurance ..... 30 - 26  
 Northern White Tail ..... 26 - 30

Swamp II ..... 25 - 31  
 Grayling Ford ..... 25 - 31  
 Forest Brothers ..... 23 - 33  
 Guns & Grubs ..... 21 - 35  
 High Game: P. Faustman, 266; D. Romain, 245; C. Brill, 243.  
 High Series: P. Faustman, 686; C. Brill, 682; S. Jones, 632.

**Northwood**  
 Rochettes ..... 18 - 14  
 American Legion ..... 18 - 14  
 R & M Masonry ..... 18 - 14  
 Red Barn ..... 17.5 - 14.5  
 Shady Acres Party Store ..... 17 - 15  
 Darrell's Roofing ..... 15.5 - 16.5  
 R. Calkins & Sons ..... 14 - 18  
 Pro Tree ..... 10 - 22  
 High Game: J. Hinds, 209; S. Sumner, 185; M. Starks, 182.  
 High Series: J. Hinds, 526; L. Dannenberg, 510, S. Sumner, 498.

**Pioneer**  
 Millikins ..... 21 - 7  
 Chemical Bank ..... 19.5 - 8.5  
 Custom Interior ..... 17.5 - 10.5  
 Lady Slippers ..... 16 - 12  
 Ginger's ..... 13.5 - 14.5  
 Aunt Betty's ..... 9 - 19  
 Lucky Strikers ..... 8.5 - 19.5  
 Avalanche ..... 7 - 21  
 High Game: M. Moshier, 191, 189; K. Trudeau, 189; J. Hinds, 183.  
 High Series: M. Moshier, 532; J. Hinds, 511; C. Jones, 501.

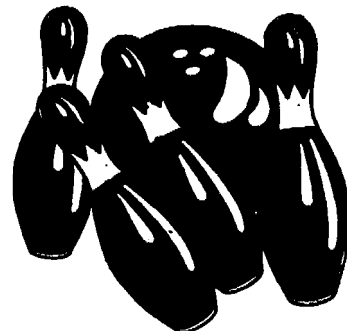
**Recreation League**  
 Tri★County Meats ..... 19 - 9  
 Gray Rock Café ..... 18 - 10  
 Peterson Saw Service ..... 15 - 13  
 Scheer Motors ..... 13 - 15  
 Mickey Perez CPA ..... 12 - 16

## POOL LEAGUE

**Men's Standings**  
 Legion ..... 51 - 39  
 Plaza ..... 43 - 47  
 Frederic Inn ..... 41 - 31  
 Margretheville II ..... 39 - 51  
 Margretheville I ..... 38 - 34  
 Saw Mill ..... 35 - 37  
 Gray Rock ..... 33 - 39  
 Bye ..... 0 - 0  
 8 Ball on Break: Ken of Legion.  
 7 Ball Run: Scott of Margretheville II.

6 Ball Run: Jim of Margretheville II, Mike of Margretheville I.  
**Women's Standings**  
 Sawmill II ..... 54  
 Frederic Inn ..... 41  
 Swamp ..... 36  
 Spikes ..... 36  
 Plaza ..... 29  
 Sawmill I ..... 28  
 Legion ..... 28  
 5 Ball Run: Marion G. of Swamp, Tonya A. of Plaza.

## Area bicyclists compete at Hidden Valley



The Otsego Club of Gaylord hosted the first ever Glacier Gorge Mountain Bike Race on Saturday, October 23. Seventy-three racers from around Michigan and Canada participated in this National Off Road Biking Association sanctioned event.

The race was a precursor to the Iceman Mountain Bike Race, an annual race from Kalkaska to Traverse City, which will be held on November 6 this year.

The racers battled high winds, rain, snow and temperatures bordering on freezing as they followed the nine-mile course around the golf course and through the woods at Hidden Valley. Beginner Class racers completed the course once and Sport Class did the loop twice, while Expert Class rode three complete loops.

The first place finisher in the men's 19-44 for the Expert Class and first place overall was Derek Precht with a time of 2:26:05.83. Second in men's 19-44 Expert was Jesse Jakomait, and third was Carey Grumelot.

Robert Smith, sponsored by The Bicycle Shop of Grayling, finished fifth in Expert men's 19-44.

Thomas Trevor of Muskegon was first in the men's 18 and under Expert Class.

Bruce McLean of Harbor Springs was the overall winner in the Sport Class and the first place finisher in the men's 19-44 category, with a time of 1:54:45.67. Bob Volant of Gaylord was second in the men's 19-44 and Danny Otremba of Oscoda was third.

Mike Okma was first in the men's 18 and under Sport Class. The Sport Women's class was won by Jennifer Mueller of Saginaw. Nickie Lambert of Traverse City took second.

In the Beginner Class, first place in the men's 18 and under category and also first place overall was Todd Elenz of Gaylord, with a time of 1:01:59.89.

Winner of the Beginner men's 19-44 category was Andrew Brown, followed by Jason Swink of Flint and Alex Pina of Cedar.

In the Beginner mens 45-plus group, Terry Hanson of Traverse City was the winner. Second and third went to David Golder of Alpena and Robert Carleton of Toronto.

The Beginner women's class was won by Sherri-Lynn Patchin of Roscommon with a time of 1:19:03.71. Jennifer Stark of Bay City was second and Allison Knapp of Maple City was third.

## LEGAL ACTION

### FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS NOTICE IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel Peterson and Denise C. Peterson his wife (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, A Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 20, 1997, and recorded on January 5, 1998, in Liber 444 Page 609, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWELVE AND 38/100 dollars (\$52,812.38) including interest at 7.500% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 11/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on December 8, 1999.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 37 and 38, Timberidge Estates #2, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 14, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.324(a), in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 28, 1999  
**FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:**  
 248-593-1303  
 Trott & Trott, P.C.  
 Attorneys and Counselors

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100  
 Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
 File # 990910788  
 Ravens

-28-4-11-18-25

### STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF CRAWFORD To the Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon the Lands herein described:

To Theresa Stempkowski last grantee in the regular chain of title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of Said County.

**Take Notice:** Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without other additional cost or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

**Description of Land:** County of Crawford, Portage Lake Park - 1st Addition, Block 1, Lots 28, 29, 35, 37 and 39. Taxes paid for 1994; \$50.58; taxes paid for 1995; \$221.75.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$413.40 plus the fees of the Sheriff.  
 Ronald Baker  
 P.O. Box 369  
 Grayling, MI 49738

-28-4-11-18

# The Masks of Depression

**Presented By:**  
**Dr. Richard L. Gay, Ph.D., A.B.P.P.**

Depression is a biological/psychological condition that affects millions of Americans each year. Dr. Gay will present an educational program that will focus on topics such as understanding depression; obvious and not so obvious signs of depression; and treatment for depression. Optional screening will also be available. The program is free of charge.

### Times and Locations:

**Mercy Internal Medicine Campus - Grayling**  
**Mercy Roscommon Campus**  
**Mercy Prudenville Campus**

**November 9, 6 to 8 p.m.**  
**November 10, 6 to 8 p.m.**  
**November 16, 6 to 8 p.m.**

**For more information or to register, please call (517) 348-0708.**



**MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING**

Partnering with **MUNSON HEALTHCARE**



# LEGAL ACTION

## SYNOPSIS GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD

### Regular Meeting October 13, 1999

Members Present: Janice Annis, Tom Hall, Monica Ashton, Ruth O'Mara, Terry Wright  
Members Absent: None

Others Present: Ronald Duke, Gary Bofysil, Charlie Dugas, Lee Riley, Lynette Corlew, Hailey Prager, Sharon Hall, Jerry DeWitt, Ron Fraser, Ed Holcamp.

Supervisor Wright called meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance  
Motion by Annis, second by O'Mara, to approve minutes of September 8, 1999 regular meeting as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Annis, second by O'Mara, to approve minutes of September 15, 1999 special meeting as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for September was read and placed on file.

Correspondence: (No action required) E-911 Activities Report 8-99; Chamber News, 10-99, Crawford Co. Board of Commissioners 9/15/99 Board Meeting minutes.

Citizens Who Wish to Speak:

1. Gary Bofysil and Ron Dube were present to request Grayling Township's ongoing participation in the Beckwith vs Stempkowski case regarding public status of two road ends off McIntyre's Landing Road at Lake Margrethe and a 265 foot parallel road between the two road ends. It was determined that the two road ends were public access in accordance with Jacobs vs Lyons Township. The judge did not address the parallel road issue. The case is being appealed by the plaintiffs.

Monte Burmeister, recently appointed as Township Legal Counsel, has withdrawn as Counsel for Bofysil and recommends that Grayling Township, if it decides to continue as a participant in the appeal, also use other legal counsel so there could be no question of a conflict of interest on his part.

Motion by Hall, second by O'Mara, that Grayling Township join the defendants in Beckwith vs Stempkowski in the Court of Appeals regarding the public status of two road ends and a parallel section of road between the two road ends off McIntyre's Landing Road at Lake Margrethe. All ayes, motion carried.

2. Motion by Ashton, second by Annis, to authorize two office personnel to attend a Microsoft Office seminar in Saginaw on December 7, 1999. All ayes, motion carried.

3. Motion by Annis, second by Ashton, to approve the following resolution adopting a flexible benefits plan.

WHEREAS, the Authority wishes to adopt a flexible benefits plan within the context of Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code for the benefit of the employer's eligible employees,  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Authority hereby adopts the Flexible Benefits Plan (consisting of the flexible benefits plan document, the Adoption Agreement, and component benefit plans and Policies) for the Employer named herein below effective as of the date specified in the Adoption Agreement.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that any officer of the employer may, without a further resolution, execute the Adoption Agreement and any related documents or amendments which may be necessary or appropriate to adopt the plan or maintain its compliance with applicable federal, state and local law. VOTE: Ayes, five; Nays, none; motion carried.

4. Supervisor Wright explained that Grayling Township has the opportunity to join with three other counties in northern Michigan to establish a Renaissance Zone within its boundaries. The area that is being proposed for Grayling Township is approximately 2,000 acres zoned as Planned Industrial and Planned Commercial Districts by Ordinance 99-1, lying East of Interstate 75 R.O.W. in Sections 29, 32, and 33, T26N, R3W.

Comments were heard from Mrs. Balmes of Beaver Creek Township and Scott Hanson, County Commissioner that if Grayling Township adopts tax incentives for the Planned Commercial District it would interfere with proposed commercial development in Beaver Creek Township.

Ashton stated that it is not the intent of Grayling Township to lure business, commercial or industrial, away from Beaver Creek but to attract jobs and non-polluting enterprises to benefit the entire county.

Several persons noted, that if Beaver Creek also adopted these incentives perhaps both Townships and the entire County would benefit.

Ashton noted that the Renaissance Zone is the only means available to a community to offer tax exemptions to commercial businesses. School District taxes are not affected by these incentives.

Hall noted that the Renaissance Zone would attract jobs to the area and make up for any tax deferrals the businesses may initially

receive. We need to think of future generations.

Wright noted the lands in question are state owned and would be transferred under an agreement Grayling Township has with the State of Michigan. The tax breaks would not take any properties off the current tax roll. The only revenues currently received on this acreage are \$1.50 per acre per year Payment In Lieu of Taxes by the State.

Motion by Ashton, second by Hall, to adopt the following RESOLUTION to proceed TO ESTABLISH A RENAISSANCE SUBZONE WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING:

WHEREAS, the Township has an abiding interest in quality economic and housing development within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has established the Michigan Renaissance Zone program that allows communities and counties to apply for various state and local tax exemptions for specific parcels of property within the rules of the program; and

WHEREAS, a joint application will be submitted to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, the administrators of the program, from the County of Crawford in partnership with other counties;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the land bounded by the legal descriptions in Exhibit 1 shall be included in the joint Renaissance Zone application; with state and local taxes being waived for the property beginning January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2015, for eligible owners and occupants of the designated property within the limitations specified by state law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the tax benefits pertaining to this resolution shall not take effect if the State of Michigan has not approved the joint Renaissance Zone application before March 15, 2000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Mr. Terry R. Wright in his capacity as Grayling Township Supervisor is given the authority to sign the application for the Township of Grayling.

EXHIBIT 1:  
All state-owned lands lying east of the Interstate-75 Right-Of-Way in Sections 20, 29, 32 and 33, Town 26 North, Range 3 West (Approximately 2,000 acres).

Roll Call Vote: Ashton, aye; Hall, aye; Annis, aye; O'Mara, aye; Wright, aye. Motion Carried.

5. Motion by Ashton, second by Hall, to authorize expenditure of \$1,500 as Grayling Township's share of fees for writing and processing the Renaissance Zone Application. All ayes, motion carried.

6. Monte Burmeister, recently appointed Township legal counsel, notified the Board that the decision in the Hall vs Hanson, Northernly Blvd. road end, case is being appealed by the Hansons and Jeromes. The Judge has divided the road end between the two adjacent property owners (Hanson and Jerome) and designated the center portion public property. It appears the defendants do not want any portion to remain public access.

Tom Hall requested to abstain from any action or discussion on this matter because he is a party in the litigation.

Motion by O'Mara, second by Ashton, to grant Tom Hall permission to abstain from participation in discussion or action on the Hall vs Hanson case. Ayes, four; Abstain, one; Absent, none; motion carried.

On November 18, 1998 the Grayling Township Board authorized legal counsel to intervene in the litigation of Hall vs Hanson regarding disposition of Northernly Boulevard on behalf of Grayling Township.

Motion by O'Mara, second by Ashton, to continue the legal effort to maintain public interest in Northernly Boulevard in the Court of Appeals. Ayes, four; Nays, none; Abstain, one; motion carried.

7. Motion by Annis, second by Hall, to authorize \$750 expenditure for a warming room and water heater in the garage and the Grayling Township Compactor and Recycling Center. All ayes, motion carried.

8. Motion by O'Mara, second by Annis, to authorize \$200 for a full page historical article in the third edition of The First Hundred Years (History of Crawford County). All ayes, motion carried.

9. Supervisor outlined a proposed list of priority road projects for the current and next two fiscal years.

Priority #1: Stabilization of Summit Road at Lake Margrethe. (1999-2000 Budget)

Priority #2: Stabilization of W. Lincoln Park Blvd./Walnut Plaisance road end at Lake Margrethe. (1999-2000 Budget)

Priority #3: Rebuild Old Lake Road from M-72 to M-93 within the scope of the multi-use pathways project (200-2001, 2001-2002 Budget with possible help from grants and special assessments.)

Priority #4: Rebuild Four Mile Road intersection with proposed new Industrial Street within scope of the Four Mile Road industrialization project. (2000-2001 and 2001-2002 fiscal year budgets with possible help from grants and special assessments.)

Consensus of the Board to forward the proposed priority list of road projects to the Road Commission for Crawford County for consideration under the new road commission policy.

10. REPORTS:  
Supervisor reported on progress of eliminating unsafe/condemned dwelling on Margrethe Blvd. Court date 11/2/99.

Building and Zoning Report on file.

11. Motion by Annis, second by Hall, to authorize payment of claims on vouchers 20933-20944, 20962-20995, BD & Comm fees \$280, Liquor Inspections \$90, Guardian Dental \$572.21 for a total of \$150,728.35. Ayes, five; Nays, none; motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Annis, carried. All ayes.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.  
Grayling Township Clerk

## RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

### Meeting held on the 11th day of October 1999

#### Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Stevens at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Stevens, Golnick, Palmer, Ruddy, Brown.

Members Absent: None  
Also in Attendance: Terry McGregor, Acting City Manager, Kay Ellen King, J.C. King, Steve Doyle, Dennis Palmer, Caleb Casey, Kathy Bourrie, Bob Butzin, Dave Wyman, Dennis Long, three students.

99-103  
Moved by Brown, supported by Ruddy that the minutes of the meeting of September 27, 1999 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Public Hearing, None.

Communications were received and noted.

a. 911 Activity Report for September 1999.

b. Crawford County Board Minutes for September 15, 1999.

c. Grayling Police Department Report for September 1999.

d. Comparative Balance Sheet for August 1999.

e. Grayling Housing Commission Audit Report, 1998-99.

f. Notice of C.I.A. 1999 Meeting Schedule.

g. Letter to Mayor Stevens from PROTEC. Old Business, None.

New Business.

a. Invoice from Richards & Associates. 99-104

Moved by Golnick, supported by Stevens to pay the invoice from Richards & Associates in the amount of \$3,578.52 for professional services rendered from 6/18/99 thru 10/04/99. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

b. From Grayling Township regarding Fish Hatchery Project. 99-105

Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy to write a letter to Pat Merrill supporting the efforts of the Fish Hatchery Committee in obtaining a grant of \$15,000 for the purpose of developing a business plan for restoration of the Fish Hatchery. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

c. From Grayling Township regarding Letter of Support. 99-106

Moved by Ruddy, supported by Brown to write a letter supporting Crawford County and Grayling Township in establishing a Renaissance Sub-zone on property within the borders of Grayling Township. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

d. Library Land Request. 99-107

Moved by Stevens, supported by Golnick to table this request until we have more information from the City Attorney and the DPW Supervisor. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

e. Wage for Acting City Manager. 99-108

Moved by Stevens, supported by Ruddy to pay an additional \$1,000 per month to Terry McGregor as Acting City Manager and Treasurer until a City Manager is appointed. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

Citizens who wish to speak. None.

a. State Police Lease Negotiations. We have sent out bid packages for renovations for the State Police Forensic Lab. Options will be coming to Council at a later date regarding State Police lease, renovations and re-location of City Hall.

b. Contacted Waste Management to see if yard waste could be picked up through November if weather permits. Haven't heard back.

c. City Truck. The dented truck will be fixed if we can find documentation for insurance company.

d. C.I.A. meeting held Monday, October 4, 1999. Skate Board project was turned over to them from the City Treasurer and Board Officials were appointed.

e. An ad has been placed in the *Avalanche* for a full time secretary for the Police Department and Fire Department.

Reports of Council Members.

a. Mr. Ruddy remarked that the skate board information was very informative and they did a good job presenting information and should be commended.

b. Ms. Palmer asked about the M.M.L. Conference. Mr. Stevens and Mr. Golnick gave information on the meetings that they attended. Ms. McGregor thought it was very informative and that they made some good contacts at this meeting.

c. Ms. Palmer received a complaint from a citizen regarding bad language at a business establishment and what could be done. This was discussed by Council.

d. Mr. Golnick mentioned if council had noticed the triangle across from the hospital. Boy Scout Troop #979 have been working on this for a project and the area is looking very nice. Would like a letter sent thanking them for a job well done.

e. Ms. Brown asked how many applications we have received for the position of City Manager. We have eight so far. The deadline for applications is October 29, 1999 and then Council will look over the applications and make a decision.

f. Ms. Brown stated that the article in the paper detailed the City Manager job requirements much more than the previous advertisement.

g. Ms. Brown questioned why she did not receive an invitation to Mr. Morford's retirement party. Mr. Stevens was under the impression that all council members received an invitation and he was sorry if she did not receive one.

h. Ms. Palmer asked about the rumor that Mr. Stevens is not running for City Council and why he went to the M.M.L. Conference if he is not running for another term. Mr. Stevens stated that he will not be running but as Mayor and on the Council until November 8, 1999 he will be attending meetings.

Adjournment. 99-109

Moved by Stevens, supported by Golnick that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Terry McGregor  
Acting City Manager

## FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS NOTICE IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT, AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by SHARON M. HADLEY AND CHARLES T. HADLEY, Husband and Wife, of 7516 North White Road, Grayling, Michigan 49738, Mortgages, to FIRST FINANCE, which is organized and existing under the laws of Michigan and whose address is 6785 Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301, Mortgagee, dated December 8, 1997, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on December 17, 1997, in Liber 443 Page 333 of Crawford County Records, which mortgage was thereafter assigned to BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, N.A., as Custodian or Trustee, 3 Park Plaza, 16th Floor, Irvine, CA 92614 and recorded on July 10, 1998 in the office of the Register of Deeds for said County of Crawford in Liber 457 Page 551 of Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FORTY FIVE AND 87/100 (\$64,445.87) DOLLARS.

And no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, November 24, 1999 at 10:00 a.m., said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder at the front door to the county building in Grayling, Michigan, (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at 11.85% per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises.

Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, and State of Michigan and described as follows, to-wit:

The Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 28 North, Range 3

West.

Tax I.D. No. 020-026-007-040-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 14, 1999

BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, N.A., AS CUSTODIAN OR TRUSTEE

Assignee of Mortgage  
ELAINE W. MARDIOSIAN (P33528)  
Attorney for Assignee of Mortgage  
1373 Balfour  
Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230  
(313) 881-0296

-14-21-28-4-11

sale.

Dated: November 4, 1999  
USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
Mortgage  
ATTORNEY FOR: Mortgagee  
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.  
401 South Old Woodward Avenue  
Suite 300  
Birmingham, MI 48009-6616  
-4-11-18-25-2

## FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS NOTICE IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Theodore J. Kolka, Jr. a single man (original mortgage) to Citizens Bank f/k/a Grayling State Bank, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 1995, and recorded on November 20, 1999, in Liber 403 Page 528. Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR AND 86/100 dollars (\$32,594.86) including interest at 8.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M. on December 8, 1999.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 13, Pinecrest Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 02 of Plats, Page 01, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 28, 1999

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

248-593-1303  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 991011148  
Ravens

-28-4-11-18-25

## Your Hometown News!

The Crawford  
County Avalanche!  
(517) 348-6811

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling Housing Commission will be holding two public hearings on its Agency Plan. This plan consists of two parts. The Annual Plan is a compilation of the Housing Commission's functional policies. The main policy is the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy. The Five-year Plan is a guide for Housing Commission activities in the future.

As these plans are constructed, the Housing Commission must allow public review of these policies and allow for comment. Therefore, as of November 1, 1999, the Agency Plan and its constituent plans will be available for public review at the Housing Commission's office, located at 308 Lawndale Drive. Before its regular scheduled meetings, on November 9th and December 14th, the Housing Commission will hold public hearings at 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in order to receive any public comments on the plans.

Guy Quigley  
Executive Director

-4

## COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS - 2000 DOG LICENSES ARE NOW ON SALE

2000 Crawford County Dog License are now available. The fees are \$10.00 for male and female dogs. The fees are \$6.00 for spayed females and neutered males. The fee for a kennel license is \$25.00.

You must have proof of neutering or spaying

A valid rabies vaccination certificate must be presented before you can purchase your dog license.

Licenses may be purchased beginning October 28th at the Crawford County Treasurers Office, the Crawford County Animal Shelter, and the Grayling Hospital for Animals.

From October 28th until March 1st you may also purchase your license at the Lovells Township Hall, South Branch Township Hall, Beaver Creek Township Hall and the Frederic Township Hall. After March 1st license will no longer be available at these places.

License may be purchased by mail from the Crawford County Treasurers Office only. Send check or money order and valid proof of current vaccination and spaying or neutering certificate if applicable.

Beginning March 1st license fees will double.

Male and female dogs will be \$20  
Spayed or neutered dogs will be \$12.00  
Kennel licenses will be \$50.00

County of Crawford  
Treasurers Office  
Joseph V. Wakeley

-28-4

## ROAD COMMISSIONER VACANCY

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are presently accepting applications for a vacant position on the Road Commission for Crawford County through Wednesday, November 10th, 1999 at 4:00 p.m. Applicants are required to be county residents and a registered voter. The board is ultimately responsible for budget, policy and decision making. The board has responsibility for administering a major aspect of Road Commission affairs, such as public safety, health and welfare and charged with ultimate responsibility for the operation of the Road Commission. Applications can be obtained and submitted to County Clerk Sandra Moore at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

-28-4

## MAPLE FOREST TOWNSHIP NOTICE FOR BIDS

Maple Forest Township will be accepting bids for snow plowing the township hall driveways and parking area for the 1999-2000 winter season until 5:00 p.m., Friday, November 5, 1999. Bids may be sent to the township clerk, Susan Keene, at 8802 N. Petersen Road, Frederic, MI 49733. Bids may be written for multiple years.

Maple Forest Township Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to accept other than low bid and to make decisions that will be in the best interest of Maple Forest Township.

NOTICE: Maple Forest Township offices are open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, each week from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Phone (517) 348-5794; FAX (517) 348-9394. Feel free to stop in and see our new look.

Susan M. Keene  
Maple Forest Township Clerk

-21-28-4

# FEATURES

## HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of November 7-13

### Aries March 21-April 20

Watch out for a person you thought was a true friend and confidant. In a matter at work, you may have to repeat yourself because you haven't been too clear. Try not to lose your patience; it won't look good to others.

### Taurus April 21-May 21

Relationships with friends and neighbors may be strained. It's up to you to keep the lines of communication open and resolve any problems you can. Your key phrase this week is first things first. Keep it in mind as you get busy.

### Gemini May 22-June 21

No one has the power to prevent you from reaching your goals. If someone tries to block you, change course. Attack your goals from a new direction, work on your self-confidence and you'll be on your way.

### Cancer June 22-July 22

This week, it's important that you listen to others. You tend to be more of a talker than a listener. It's important that you change your tune and open your ears. You won't be able to avoid upheaval at work for much longer.

### Leo July 23-August 23

Don't wait any longer. Schedule some time off now before it's too late to take a family day off. Beware of an acquaintance who may be up to no good. It might not be a good time to promote that relationship.

### Virgo August 24-September 22

It's your week. Make the most of it. Enjoy some special attention from a very special person in your life. The attention will do a lot to boost your self-confidence. Why not plan something extra-special for you and a friend to celebrate?

### Libra

September 23-October 23

Others may have the facts wrong. Do what you can to pretend you haven't noticed. It's better to do that than get involved in a long, drawn-out argument over who's right and who's wrong. They will come around at a later date.

### Scorpio

October 24-November 22

You don't need other people's approval to accomplish your goals. You know your own strengths and weaknesses better than anyone else. Capitalize on those strengths. Then try to improve upon your weaknesses.

### Sagittarius

November 23-December 21

Use your tact and listen to both sides in an annoying dispute at work. It will soon become clear that neither side is all right or all wrong. Don't lose your patience; work with them to understand that the problem can be worked out.

### Capricorn

December 22-January 20

Your high hopes of a potentially romantic relationship may be premature. Don't let it get you down. It may be the relationship will work out in the end—it will just take more time than you have given it.

### Aquarius

January 21-February 18

Discretion is very important when it comes to financial situations this week. Someone may be eavesdropping, which may ruin some opportunities for you. Breathe some fresh life into your routine. Go out for lunch with friends one day.

### Pisces

February 19-March 20

This may not be the week to make changes at home. What may seem like a great idea right now may lose steam and wind up not being such a great idea. Some financial concerns creep up this week. Face them head on.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

## RECIPES OF THE WEEK

### Rich and Creamy Hot Fudge Sauce

Makes about 3 cups  
1 1/2 cups (12 fluid-ounce can) Evaporated Milk  
1/2 cup granulated sugar  
2 tbsp. butter or margarine  
2 tbsp. light corn syrup  
2 cups (12-ounce pkg.) semi-sweet chocolate morsels  
2 tsp. vanilla extract

#### Directions:

Combine evaporated milk, sugar, butter and corn syrup in medium, heavy-duty saucepan. Bring to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Reduce heat to low; cook, stirring constantly, for 3 minutes. Remove from heat. Stir in morsels and vanilla extract until thickened and smooth. Serve over ice cream.

### Cherry Chocolate Pudding Parfaits

Serves 6  
2 cups milk  
1 pkg. (3.4 oz.) instant chocolate pudding mix  
1 can (21 oz.) cherry fruit filling  
1 cup prepared whipped topping  
optional

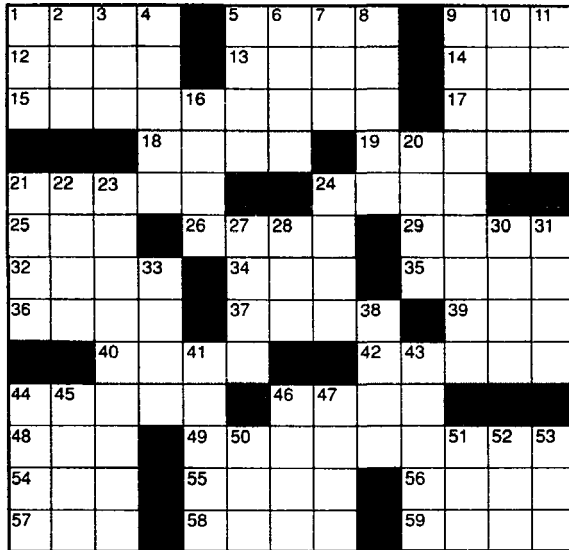
#### Directions:

1. In a large mixing bowl, beat milk and pudding mix with a whisk or an electric mixer for 1-2 minutes or until blended. 2. Fold in 1 cup of fruit filling and 1 cup of whipped topping. Spoon 1/3 cup pudding mixture into each of six parfait glasses. Top each with equal amounts of remaining fruit filling and 1/3 cup pudding mixture. 3. Garnish with additional whipped topping, if desired.



**HOME NEEDED** - Cuddles is a 1 year old spayed female. She is housebroken, gentle and good with children. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

- Kid's vacation spot
- Mother of Helen of Troy
- "The \_\_\_\_\_ Tree On The Mall" (Anatole France)
- Turkish regiment
- "Little White Duck" singer
- Curly's brother
- "American Bandstand" star
- White-tailed eagle
- Joyce's native land
- Bungled
- Washing cycle
- Stuffed shirt
- Formerly
- Sommer of Ten Little Indians
- Cuckoo's lack
- Cruise and Selleck
- Detroit group; abbr.
- "More Than You \_\_\_\_\_"
- Composer Satie
- "\_\_\_\_\_ bird..." (2 wds.)
- Spy org.
- Untouchable Eliot
- Yule songs
- Fish with a seine
- Actress Turner
- Have a hamburger
- Ado
- Ever Since \_\_\_\_\_ (1937 film)
- Guise
- Use a steel
- \_\_\_\_\_ Plains
- Bridge
- Slopes covering

### DOWN

- Scoundrel
- Participant in "The Rumble In The Jungle"
- Brolly carrier's wear
- \_\_\_\_\_ Peak
- Caron film
- Author Connell (Mr. Bridge)
- Berlin article
- One making an inquiry
- Development
- Learning
- Repair
- Ontario Indian
- Slippery site
- Grade
- Aeronautical engineer
- Sikorsky
- Places on the ballot
- Seats for the congregation
- Film director Buñuel
- Krazy \_\_\_\_\_ of cartoons
- Plant's place
- Poetic contraction
- Cut obliquely
- \_\_\_\_\_ Karenina
- Cads' punishment
- Pledges
- \_\_\_\_\_ off (irate)
- Great review
- Elvis' heir
- Egyptian deity
- Republican initials
- Charged atom
- The Plastic \_\_\_\_\_ Band
- Unprecedented

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago

November 4, 1976

Dr. Paul Mesack will join Dr. Wayne Casler in the practice of Veterinary Medicine at the Grayling Hospital for Animals about November 15. He has been working as a vet for the last three years in Anchorage, Alaska.

Between 75 and 80 percent of the registered voters of Crawford County turned out for the election. Local results: prosecuting attorney - Tom Kent; sheriff - Curt Haas; Clerk - Leo Lovely; Treasurer - Joseph Wakeley; Register of Deeds - Lawrence Hunter; Probate Judge - Emil Kraus.

The Grayling Community School Program will sponsor the first Arts and Crafts Show and Sale on November 7.

The County Board of Commissioners voted to reopen the dog pound and reinstate Joe Durga as Animal Control Officer.

The Crawford County Drug Lab is now serving as many as 77 organizations, including different counties.

Mrs. Larson's first grade class went to visit Kerry Joe Harwood's dad. He is a taxidermist and the class saw and touched many true-to life specimens while visiting the shop. Mr. Harwood also explained the art of preserving and mounting the skins.

Ronald McDonald visited Grayling on Saturday, October 23.

Some 50 members of the Feldhauser family gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Feldhauser for a surprise party to honor Bess and Dora Feldhauser, in appreciation for the many acts of charity, compassion, generosity and kindness to all their relatives throughout the years.

Bill O'Mara, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus presented a check to Diana Doremire, Treasurer of C.O.O.R. The funds were raised by a Tootsie Rolls sale and will be used for instructional materials and equipment.

Grayling Trap Shooters Curly

LaMotte, Sigrid Schramm, Bill Schramm and Carol Miller joined Fred Bear in a segment of film being shot by the Fred Bear Sports Club for international distribution. The film will be released in 1977 for television viewing.

### 46 Years Ago

November 5, 1953

Dr. J. F. Cook was the recipient of the Kiwanis Club of Grayling's annual "Flowers to the Living: award at a meeting held Monday. Dr. Cook has been the man solely behind the Kiwanis Christmas program which collects toys, repairs them and distributes them on Christmas Eve.

The International Woodworkers of America, C.I.O. will be the bargaining agent for the employees of the Grayling plant of the Atlas Plywood Corp following a vote last Thursday held by the N.L.R.B. The vote total was 40 for the union and 10 against.

Leonard Knibbs, who with his wife and children recently returned from Japan has again taken over the operation of his Texaco Station south on US-27.

Five students from Crawford County are enrolled at Central Michigan College - Theodore Davenport, Nancy Hoesli, Billy Kinkert, Barbara Nelson and Homer Reava.

William Tinker, Frank Scott and John Latuszek are all building new homes in Karen Woods. Some of them will be ready for occupancy this fall.

### 69 Years Ago

November 6, 1930

Results of General Election: Wilbur Brucker (R) was elected governor over William Stock (D). J.E. Bobenmoyer (R) for sheriff over James McDonnell (D) by 10 votes; Eva Reagan (R) defeated Leo Schram (D) by 7 votes for Register of Deeds. Axel M. Peterson (D) won over Lyke Mills (R) for County

Clerk; William Fergusson (R) over Clayton Straehly (D) for treasurer; C. J. McNamara (R) won over Frank Tetu (D) for County Road Commissioner.

Misses Ella and Margrethe Hanson are leaving Ann Arbor today for Boston to attend the Michigan - Harvard football game.

The Halloween dancing party at the Temple Theater, Friday evening was a pleasant affair. Miss Marie and Howard Schmidt, the twin daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Holger C. Schmidt, entertained during the evening by singing many of the dance hits, which added greatly to the pleasure of the party.

Roy Sindlinger with the State Military Department returned to Lansing after having been the guest of Henry P. Baumgras at the Military Reservation for two weeks. The two gentlemen enjoyed many hunting trips.

### 92 Years Ago

November 7, 1907

Deer season opens November 10 and last 20 days to December 1 with a limit of two deer to each hunter.

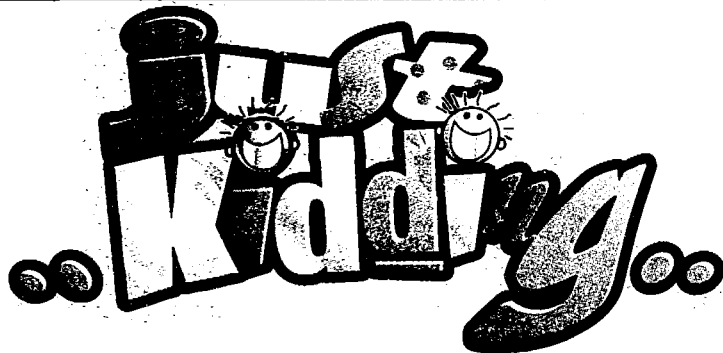
The Italian, who was arrested for shooting at Lester McPeak, fireman, after being put off his engine was held for trial at the January term of Circuit Court, on examination before Justice Niederer. He gave bail for his appearance.

John Stephan is building a new barn, 38'x50' on his farm down river.

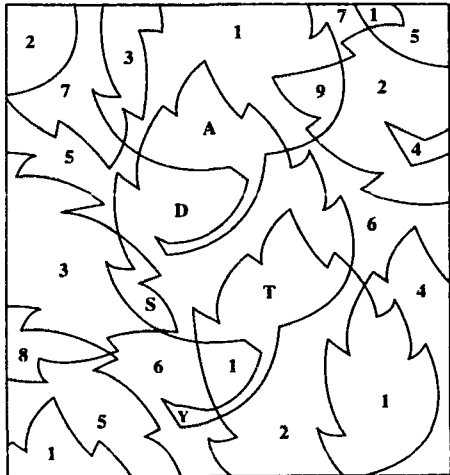
Miss Katie Bates will go to Alma next week for a short course in special art work.

Our citizens are given a genuine surprise this week by the announcement that L. Fournier had sold his drug business to A.M. Lewis & Co. The friends of Frank Phelps, which means all of our people will be glad to know that he will remain in the store with the new firm.

The mill at Lovells continues to run full time but men are scarce.

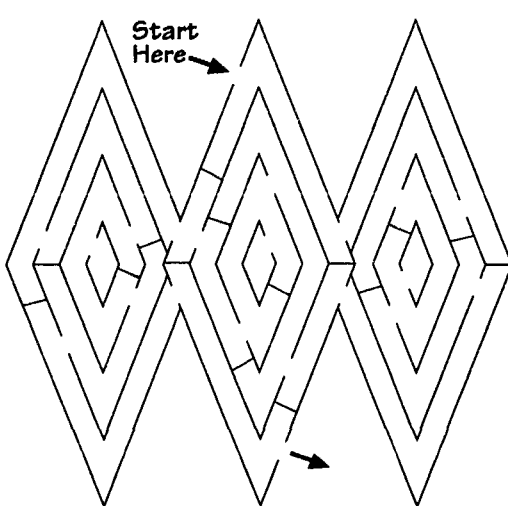


## HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.

## MAZE



## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	H	L	8 a.m.	Rainfall
10/26	45	33	33	
10/27	51	33	40	
10/28	58	28	32	
10/29	70	32	54	
10/30	73	44	44	0.37"
10/31	73	29	46	
11/1	69	37	37	

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord:  
Wednesday - mostly cloudy, with a 40% chance of snow showers, high in the mid to upper 30's. Thursday - dry, with a low of 25-30 and a high in the mid to upper 40's. Friday - chance of showers, with a low in the mid 30's and a high of 50-55. Saturday - dry, with a low in the mid 30's and a high near 50.



# ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

## Crawford County Avalanche

Classifieds must be paid for in advance

Display Advertising Rate - \$5.75 per column inch  
 Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday  
 Classifieds by the word rate - \$4.00 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:  
[www.townnews.com/avalanche/](http://www.townnews.com/avalanche/)  
 Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

### 1. Real Estate

**MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES** www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99t/1)

**I BUY HOUSE** and land contracts. Pay cash. Quick closings. Are you facing foreclosure? Divorce? Leaving the area? Don't ruin your credit. Call Peninsula Funding 1-800-641-1717. (3/11/99t/1)

**PRICE REDUCED** AuSable River front lot near McMasters Bridge 200' frontage x 256' deep. Call (740) 797-2801. (LR12/2/99/1)

**WONDERFUL THREE BEDROOM HOME** with full basement and fenced in back yard. Rural development has loan money allocated for this home. Appraisal, inspections, and repairs done. Can close within 10-14 days. Call Jayson or Michelle at Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty to get a 24 hour approval done. 356 Red Tailed Hawk Loop. Drive by's OK. 517-348-6481, extension 21. (-4/1)

**HOME LOANS** Purchases, refinancing, debt consolidation, home improvement. No/bad/perfect credit. Fairway Mortgage 888-466-6235. (-21-4-11-18/1)

**TWO BEDROOM HOME** nestled in the pines. Frederic location. two lots, fireplace, hardwood floors, basement, nice area. \$31,000 801-568-0787 (-4-11-18-24/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**THIS 3/4 BEDROOM.** 1 1/2 bath home is on an oversized lot close to town. Hardwood floors and full finished basement. Extensive landscaping, occupancy negotiable. Call 517-348-6967 for directions. (-4/1)

**LOVELLS TOWNSHIP AREA** New log cabin on four large lots. Three bedrooms, two baths, country porch, 5" well, septic system, semi-finished walking distance to two trout streams. Good hunting and snowmobiling. (517) 826-5108 (-21-4/1)

**THREE BEDROOM HOUSE** Possible Land Contract in city, solar heated. 517-348-8742. (-4/1)

**AUSABLE COUNTRY ACRES** A planned association development. Spec log home and building sites. Near state land and AuSable River by owner. (517) 348-7355 (9/2/99t/1)

### 2. For Rent

**MAKE ARBOR COURT APARTMENTS** your new home. Large two bedroom apartments. Maximum income level of \$18,900 for two person household. Rent based on 30% of gross monthly income. Barrier free unit available. Call Rose 517-344-2611 or Mary Ann 906-932-5500 for more information. Equal Housing Opportunity. (9/16/99t/2)

### 2. For Rent

**HUNTERS, SKIERS, SNOWMOBILERS** Two bedroom furnished cottage on AuSable. Rent by week or month. 517-348-2232 (-21-4/2)

**CLEAN TWO BEDROOM MOBILE** with storage shed close to town. \$375 a month, security deposit and references required, no pets. Call 517-348-8386. (-21-4/2)

**CABIN FOR RENT** Sleeps four. call 517-348-8350. (10/14/99t/2)

**DOWNTOWN BUILDING FOR RENT** 227 Michigan Avenue. Approximately 4,000 square feet. Excellent business opportunity. Inquiries call 517-344-2222. (9/23/99t/2)

**OFFICE FOR RENT** 1,000 sq. ft. or 2,000 sq. ft. in Grayling. 517-348-5474 (LR11/24/99/2)

**LAKE MARGRETHE, EAST SHORE** near guard camp. Small unfurnished two bedroom home, one block from public access. Complete with stove and refrigerator. Carpeted throughout. Yard with large shade trees. \$395 per month plus utilities. One month security deposit. 517-348-5838 (10/28/99t/2)

**TWO BEDROOM MOBILE HOME** for rent. \$325 per month. Inquire Timberly Village Mobile Home Park. Old 27 North. (10/28/99t/2)

### 2. For Rent

**NICE, ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT** overlooking AuSable in town. \$375 including utilities. Call 517-348-1984, 101 Milltown Court. (-4/2)

**VERY NICE** Three bedroom, two bath home. Non smoking, no pets. \$575 per month plus security, references. (517) 344-7669 (11/4/99t/2)

**MAXI STORAGE** 80 ft x 24 ft five bay building with 12 ft x 10 ft overhead doors with electric. Rent all or will divide. 3464 North Down River Rd. (517) 348-4486 (LR12/9/99/2)

**TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT** above the Frederic Inn. Contact Gene at 517-348-8636 (-28-4-11-18/2)

### 2. For Rent

**CLEAN ONE BEDROOM DUPLEX** New carpet, lawn care, adult, non-smoking unit. \$325 plus utilities, deposit, rental and employment refer. 310B Rolla. Phone 517 348-2178. (10/14/99t/2)

**TWO BEDROOM, TWO BATH** home with 1,150 sq. ft., three month minimum. \$1,200 per month plus security, fully furnished. Available Nov. 15th. Quiet neighborhood location. Call for details Karen at 727-799-4014 or cell 727-418-8118. (-4-11/2)

**WORKING IN THE AREA** or need temporary housing. Kitchenettes available by the week or month. 517-348-8471. (-14-21-4/2)

### 2. For Rent

**NICE ONE BEDROOM HOUSE** Very clean, includes stove, refrigerator, plus water, lawn maintenance and snow removal. \$400 per month plus utilities and deposit. References required. Great location at 101D State St., Grayling. 517-348-4464 (-4/2)

**COZY CABIN** in wooded setting. Year round living at affordable prices. New paint and carpeting with showers and toilet. LP heat and electric included in rent. Cabin Six has a separate kitchen and dining area and rents for only \$375 per month. Located at the newly refurbished Lost Acres at 11010 N. Old U.S. 27, approximately 2.5 miles south of Waters. Security deposit is \$150. No pets allowed. Call Leo toll free at 877-227-6976 or page at 888-332-1058. (-4-11-18/2)

### 1. Real Estate



**CRAIG HINKLE**  
Broker Owner  
State Licensed Appraiser

## RE/MAX<sup>®</sup> OF GRAYLING

EACH OFFICE INDEPENDENTLY OWNED &amp; OPERATED



Kelly Stockwell  
Licensed Assistant



**CHARLENE SCHEER**  
Broker Owner  
Valuation Specialist  
CRB, GRI, CRS, ABR

Assistant to Charlene Scheer  
Bryan Stoutenburg

## REAL ESTATE, REAL EASY

1-75 Business Loop (South) • Grayling  
517-348-6481 • 800-300-6653

Visit our website at:

[www.grayling-area.com/coldwell](http://www.grayling-area.com/coldwell)

E-Mail Address: [cornell@freeway.net](mailto:cornell@freeway.net)

[www.coldwellbanker.com](http://www.coldwellbanker.com)

### COLDWELL BANKER

### CORNELL REALTY

Each Office Independently Owned & Operated



**HOME ON 5 ACRES.** This well cared for maintenance free home offers 3 bedrooms, hardwood floors, enclosed front porch, partial basement, 1 car garage & barn. \$89,900 MLS# 9-3263



**162' ON LITTLE BRADFORD LAKE!** This 6-year-old HUD home offers beautiful views on this no-wake lake. Full walkout basement, pole-barn with workshop, large deck overlooking lake. \$140,000 MLS# 9-2869



**148' BEAUTIFUL MANISTEE RIVER FRONTAGE!** Very private and adjoins state land, great fishing area. Home offers 3 bedrooms, screened porch, 3 car garage, woodstove & pole barn. All this and home sits on five acres. \$120,000 MLS# 9-2472



**FULL LOG CABIN** - Neat and clean cabin with metal roof. This cabin is nestled on 1.15 acres in the pines. One bedroom, hand pump inside and bath with a path. \$38,900 (9-3679)



**A CABIN YOU COULD BRING YOUR FAMILY TO!** This cabin is located on a county maintained road for year round access. Three bedrooms, full bath and garage. Located within walking distance to public access on the AuSable River. \$39,900 MLS# 9-2593



**MOBILE HOME ON 10 ACRES** - Large mobile offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths & appliances. Close to AuSable River, Kneff Lake and State Land. \$35,400 MLS# 9-3055



**AFFORDABLE MOBILE HOME ON 5 ACRES** - Ready to move into and completely furnished! This built over mobile home offers 2 bedrooms, enclosed porch and appliances. Great location for hunting and close to snowmobile trails. \$27,500 MLS# 9-3450



**BUILT OVER MOBILE HOME ON 10 ACRES** - Great location for this 2 bedroom mobile home. Year around use for snowmobiling, hunting and fishing and Kneff Lake just minutes from property. \$29,900 MLS# 9-3524



**HUNTING CABIN ON 5 ACRES!** State land only 320' away. Shared well with a path to the bath. \$19,900 MLS# 9-1519

### SALES TEAM



Curly LaMotte  
Broker



Laurie Jamison  
General Manager  
Associate Broker



Bonnie S. Odell ABR  
Office Manager  
Associate Broker



Rhonda Smith  
Associate Realtor



Caron Stane  
Associate Realtor



Kevin Jamison ABR  
Associate Broker  
Valuation Specialist



Kim McClain  
Associate Broker



Diann S. Murphy  
Associate Realtor



Terry L. Vandecar  
Associate Realtor



Duoy LaMotte  
Associate Realtor



Jayson & Michelle Weiser  
Associate Realtors



Fred Shippy  
Associate Realtor

**VACANT • VACANT • VACANT**  
**VACANT • VACANT • VACANT**  
**VACANT • VACANT • VACANT**

• **329' AuSABLE RIVER FRONTAGE** - Located on paved road 3.5 miles from town. \$29,900 MLS# 9-3728

• **COMMERCIAL PROPERTY** - 1.19 acres 144 ft. frontage on M-72 E. Close to town. \$21,000 MLS# 9-0664

• **HARTWIC'S HIDDEN RIDGE** - Log home community. We have 6 parcels approximately 2.5 acres each. Community surrounded by state land on 3 sides. (Great Hunting!) \$22,000 - \$24,000 MLS# 9-1379-82

• **11.2 ACRES ON MAINTAINED ROAD** - Perfect location for a 24x24 cabin. \$16,900 MLS# 9-0804

Give us a call at 517-348-6481



**CLOSE ACCESS TO LAKE MARGRETHE.** Gelfar-sided, 1,400 s.f. home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Master bedroom suite with built-in wardrobe and entertainment center. Vaulted, knotty pine, beamed ceiling in living room. Custom hickory cabinets and ceramic tile flooring and counter tops. A Must See! \$139,000 CH-1056



**OPEN FLOOR DRAMATIZES VERSATILE INTERIOR!** 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, natural gas heat, city water & sewer. Family room, living room, dining area & kitchen offers open floor plan, Cathedral ceilings, 5.5x4 dry bar off living room. French doors out to back yard. Master suite offers large walk-in closet, bath with garden tub & separate shower. Dining room offers built in hutch, Cable TV. Double lot in the city with 2 car garage. \$80,000 CS-974



**IDEALLY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF GRAYLING!** 1,268 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 8x15 covered porch and a 15x22 patio. Hardwood floors, partial basement, 8 vinyl replacement windows and a 18x20 garage. Includes washer & dryer. Immediate Occupancy. Reduced \$46,500 CH-1045



**THIS 2 STORY CONTEMPORARY CREATES VISUAL EXCITEMENT.** 100' LAKE MARGRETHE FRONTAGE. A huge foyer says, "Come in!" Spacious living room has multi-paned windows and fireplace. Company coming? Dine in style in this formal dining room. Efficiently designed kitchen with ample storage and counter space. Master bedroom, has 2 separate dressing areas, 2 walk in closets, whirlpool tub and private oak sundeck. Reduced \$410,000 CS-993

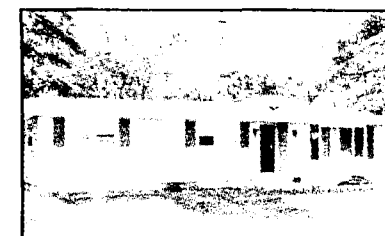


\* Based on publicly available information and on an audit by Arthur Andersen of 1997 RE/MAX residential real estate transaction sides in North America only.

**RE/MAX LISTS AND SELLS MORE REAL ESTATE THAN ANY OTHER REAL ESTATE NETWORK IN THE WORLD. (MORE THAN 1 MILLION TRANSACTION SIDES IN THE LAST YEAR.)\***



**COUNTRY LIVING CLOSE TO TOWN!!** Almost 2 acres, very well insulated 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home, like new condition inside and out. New furnace, water heater, siding and roof. Immediate Occupancy! \$68,500 CS-1026



**REMODELED FARM HOME ASSUMABLE FAMILY HOME.** Located in ideal subdivision close to Grayling. Updated roof, windows, wall coverings. Refr. will be replaced. Heated and insulated work shop in garage. \$58,000 CH-1037



**COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY.** Commercial building 30x98 with 2,940 sq. ft. has a full basement for storage. Possible retail, commercial or office establishment. Bathroom on main floor. Backs up to alley for convenient loading and unloading. Land Contract Terms available. \$140,000 CS-1057



**12.5 ACRES OF SPORTSMAN'S PARADISE.** Ideal recreational area. 12.5 acres adjoining 200 acre hunt club. Remodeled 4 bedroom, 1 bath home-cottage. Brick fireplace with insert, knotty pine accent. Four zoned sprinkling system. Garage is insulated and heated. New well, roof, furnace, septic, siding, 200 amp electrical. Washer, dryer, range and 2 wood stoves. \$71,500 CH-1065

See us on the internet  
<http://www.grayling-area.com/remax>

Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sat. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sun. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



## You're #1 With Us

RE/MAX of Grayling  
5728 M-72 West



# 348-7440 ★ 800-731-4002

## 2. For Rent

**THREE BEDROOM HOUSE** just outside city. \$550 plus deposit. 517-348-8742 (-4/2)

**ONE BEDROOM** new carpet on the river. Oak cupboard, nice apartment. 517-348-8742 \$395 plus deposit. (-4/2)

**TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT** in Grayling. Intercom from apartment to locked security door. Individual locked storage space in basement with hookup for washer and dryer. Must see to appreciate. \$435 per month plus utilities. Year lease, first and last months rent to move in. References required. Call 517-348-7143. (-28-4/2)

## 2. For Rent

**RIVERVIEW SENIOR APARTMENTS** 306 Knight Street in Grayling has one bedroom unit for immediate occupancy by qualified applicants. Persons must be 62 yrs. or older, or handicapped and/or disabled of any age. Rent based on income with subsidy available. Barrier free apartments. Applications on site or call Linda at 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 456 W. Baldwin, Alpena, MI 49707. Equal Housing Opportunity. Hearing TDD # 1-800-855-1155. (-14-21-4-11/2)

**RIVER FOREST FAMILY APARTMENTS** at the corner of Hannah and Ballenger St. in Roscommon has one, two and three bedroom units available. Rent based on income. Applications at office on site or call 1-800-225-7982. Managed by Stratford Group Ltd., 456 W. Baldwin Street, Alpena, MI 49707. Equal Housing Opportunity. Hearing TDD # 1-800-855-1155. (-14-21-4-11/2)

**TWO BEDROOM DUPLEX** near town. Heat, washer/dryer included \$535 per month, first and last to move in. 517-348-6938 (10/7/99tf/2)

**HOUSE FOR RENT** Two bedroom, one bath, washer, dryer hookup. Refrigerator, range included, utilities not included. No pets. \$425 month plus \$425 security deposit. 6272 Old Lake Rd., Grayling. 517-348-4716 (10/21/99tf/2)

## 3. Employment

**GENERAL OFFICE/ACCOUNTING - RECEPTION** Air Way Automation, a northern Michigan manufacturer of automated parts feeding and assembly equipment has an opening for full time Engineering clerk. Responsibilities include: preparation and tracking of engineering prints and release of machine details to shop floor for build, computer file maintenance, perpetration of machine manuals, routine office duties. Please send letter including salary expectations and resume to Air Way Automation, P.O. Box 563, Grayling, MI 49738. (-4-11/3)

**ACCOUNTING/CONTROLLER POSITION** Air Way Automation, a northern Michigan manufacturer of automated parts feeding and assembly equipment is seeking a staff accountant/controller. Full function responsibilities. Experience with software conversion and job cost a definite plus. Please send letter including salary expectations and resume to Jack Bickler, Air Way Automation, P.O. Box 563, Grayling, MI 49738. By fax delivery 517-348-8967. By confidential e-mail delivery jlbickler@airwayautomation.com (-4-11/3)

## 3. Employment

**ENGINEERING CLERK** Air Way Automation, a northern Michigan manufacturer of automated parts feeding and assembly equipment has an opening for full time Engineering clerk. Responsibilities include: preparation and tracking of engineering prints and release of machine details to shop floor for build, computer file maintenance, perpetration of machine manuals, routine office duties. Please send letter including salary expectations and resume to Air Way Automation, P.O. Box 563, Grayling, MI 49738. Fax delivery (517) 348-8967. (-4-11/3)

**IMMEDIATE OPENINGS FOR SALESPERSONS** with Petra Fashions. Free \$600 starter kit. Flexible hours, excellent pay, no commitment, no boss, no quotas, work full or part time or just for holiday cash. Call Andrea 517-348-1772. (-4-11/3)

**NEEDED IN-HOME CARE-GIVERS** Please call 517-348-9642. (-21-4/3)

**TRUCK DRIVER** - CDLA Good driving record, two years verifiable OTR experience, home weekends. Call Jerry 517-389-7709. (-4-11/3)

**SALES** Looking to earn a living and still have a life? Our best salespeople earn \$30,000-\$40,000 plus annually. Central Michigan Lumber of Grayling has immediate opening for commissioned salesperson. Store hours are M-Th., 8-5:30, Fri. 8-6 and Sat. 8-3. We are closed Sun. and all major holidays. Position includes a full range of benefits. Call our manager at 517-348-7678 for additional information, or send resume to 2059 S. I-75 Bus. Loop, Grayling, MI 49738. (-4-11/3)

**AUTO APPRAISER** for insurance adjusting firm. Estimating experience required. Company car, benefits. Send resume to: P.O. Box 898, Grayling, MI 49738. (-28-4-11-18/3)

## 3. Employment

**MEDICAL HEALTHCARE OPPORTUNITIES** Physicians Management Service Organization a leading MSO in the Northern Michigan region is seeking candidates to fill immediate openings in the following areas: (1) Accounts Receivable Specialist. Benefitted positions in Traverse City central office. Responsible for maintenance of A/R as related to billing, collection, and customer service. One year billing and/or collection experience, working knowledge of CPT4 and ICD9 coding, and computer skills required. (2) Accounts Receivable Support. Benefitted positions in Traverse City central office. Responsibilities include: claims transmission, demographic and charge entry. Computer knowledge and one year experience in related field. (3) LPN's. Full-time positions at Great Lakes Family Care in Cadillac. Current licensure in the State of Michigan. Previous experience preferred. (4) Medical Assistants. On-call in Traverse City and surrounding areas. Responsibilities include both administrative and clinical duties. (5) Medical Transcriptionist. Full-time in Grayling. One-two years of experience with excellent spelling, comprehension of words, and ability to use correct grammar and punctuation. (6) Clinic Site Coordinator. Full-time. Oversee the routine daily operation of Traverse City medical office. Three years of progressively more responsible job-related experience. We offer competitive salaries and a desirable benefits package, including health/dental/life/optical/401k with generous employer match. Applications are available at our central office or mail/fax cover letter and resume to: Human Resources, Physicians MSO, 10850 Traverse Highway, Traverse City, MI 49684. Phone (231) 935-0359, Fax (231) 935-0564 (-4/3)

**SPEECH THERAPY** Immediate opening for Speech Therapist in SNF setting in the Tawas area. Part time and PRN positions available. Competitive Salary! For more information please contact Kristie Stewart of Concept Rehab at 1-800-297-1194 or fax to 419-843-5036. (-4/3)

**WANTED LICENSED DAYCARE PERSON**, preferably located in the City of Grayling. I will need someone full-time, starting the end of November, for a three year old and infant. Serious inquiries only. Mail a letter of interest and references to: CB Sitter, P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738 (10/7/99tf/3)

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce. Applicants should be skilled in marketing, industrial and retail development, computer competent, and able to build coalitions. Event planning knowledge helpful and applicants should have a minimum of three years experience in organizational management. Send resume by November 12, 1999 to Search Committee, GRCC, P.O. Box 406, Grayling, MI 49738. No phone calls please. (-28-4/3)

**Grayling City Council** is accepting applications for the position of City Manager until October 29, 1999. Resumes should be sent to Grayling City Hall, 103 S. James St., Grayling, MI 49738, C/O Mayor Ralph Stevens. Additional information may be obtained by calling the City office at 517-348-2131. 9/30/99tf/3

## POSITION AVAILABLE (TEMPORARY FULL TIME) CRAWFORD EMERGENCY CENTRAL DISPATCH

**Position:** 911 Emergency Dispatcher  
**Qualifications:** High School Graduate or Equivalent  
Computer experience helpful but not required  
Emergency Services experience desirable  
Must be willing to work all shifts, weekends and holidays  
**Salary:** Union negotiated, current starting salary based on 80 hour pay period is \$19,036 (\$9.15 per hour). Excellent benefit package.

Applications and job description available at the Central Dispatch Office, 202 W. Michigan Ave. (Courthouse Annex Building) Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Applications for this position accepted until 4 p.m. Friday, November 5, 1999.

Larry L. Akers  
Director  
Crawford Emergency Central Dispatch

-28-4/3

## NEW RENT SCHEDULE GRAYLING HOUSING COMMISSION

Effective October 12, 1999

Family 2, 3 and 4 bedroom units have new maximum rents in place.

Two-bedroom flat rent = \$350.00 includes utilities.  
Three-bedroom flat rent = \$375.00 includes utilities.  
Four-bedroom flat rent = \$400.00 includes utilities.  
Maximum Income Limits Apply • Call for Details

These flat rents are the maximum rents to be paid for the units listed above. The Grayling Housing Commission basic rent is still calculated on 30% of income. You choose the rent you want to pay based on 30% of your income, or the flat rent listed above. Applications are free.

The Grayling Housing Commission is located at 308 Lawndale Drive



Telephone: 517-348-9314

-21-28-4-11/2

## 1. Real Estate

## RE/MAX® OF GRAYLING

5728 M-72 West, Grayling  
Each office is independently owned & operated

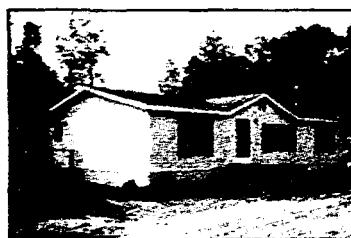
348-7440 (Office)  
348-1102 • 348-9838 (res.)



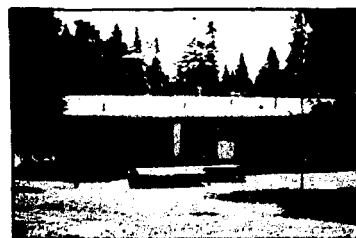
Gary Boyd  
Associate Broker

Excellent building site on the AuSable North Branch at the beginning of the flies only water. The lot width at the building site will be 200' and total length to be about 600'. The frontage will be about 300'. Seller will provide a new survey. \$55,000 GB-1044 Ask for Gary Boyd!

20 acres of excellent hunting property with lots of oak trees and moderate hills and valleys. Also has electricity nearby and multiple building sites. Has one deer hunting shack. \$32,000 GB-1049 Ask for Gary Boyd!



**NEWER ENERGY EFFICIENT** 3 bedroom home with 6" side walls and insulated floors located 5 miles south of Grayling. The master bedroom has a private bath with a garden tub and separate shower. Includes a stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer & dryer. Also includes a one car garage and workshop. \$52,000. GB-1043 Ask for Gary Boyd!



**PERFECT 3 BEDROOM, 2 bath** home on 1.2 acres with 156' of frontage on the West Branch of the Big Creek. (Wide enough to fly fish). Includes a 100' Boardwalk to the stream, with a deck at streamside. \$65,000. #GB-1029 Ask for Gary Boyd!



**EXCELLENT HUNTING PROPERTY** with a nice mobile (10x42) including all appliances and furniture. Adjacent 10 acre parcel also available. Close to State Land and the AuSable North Branch. \$28,000 #GB-1054 Ask for Gary Boyd!



**MOBILE HOME** with new custom built roof and an 8x12 addition. Will make an excellent hunting cabin. Has wood stove and gas wall furnace. Adjacent 10 acre parcel with mobile is also available. \$25,000 #GB-1053 Ask for Gary Boyd!

## Century 21 River Country Real Estate

See all of our listings at:

www.century21grayling.com



**This Cozy Cabin** in Lovells is a great buy! With 2 bedrooms, there's room for guests. Full bath with shower. Right next to snowmobile trails & hunting. It's a great place for your "up-north" retreat!! \$26,000 #4463 Ask for Angie Thompson!



A unique property for the individual who wants to enjoy lake frontage without the high cost of lake property ownership. Home is part of the Manistee Pines, L.L.C. with a 29.8% share, with the remainder divided among 4 small cabins. Property taxes are pro-rated by square footage of each dwelling. Common area maintenance costs are divided equally among members and include snow plowing and lawn care. Perfect for year 'round recreation. #4513 \$64,900 Ask for Randall Hartwig!



**Beautiful Brick Bi-Level** home situated on 2.5 acres with state land on two sides. Featuring a large brick hearth with gas log burner that can be viewed from the open living room, kitchen & dining room areas. Family room also has a brick hearth with "warm morning" you won't get tired of the long winters in this home, with a step down into the bright & cheerful Florida Room with wood flooring, and lots of windows and sky lights. 2 car heated garage, satellite dish and more! #4499 \$102,500 Ask for Connie Winans!



**Affordable 2 bedroom** home located on a corner lot in the City of Grayling. Nice floor plan with large laundry room and large dining room. Features new, efficient space heater. Easy to see. #4516 \$ 35,000 Ask for Connie Winans!



**This is a nice three bedroom** home with two baths and a full basement. Features a stone fireplace, enclosed porch and a large garage. #4506 \$79,900 Ask for Scott Hanson!



**Fantastic House** offers so many extras! Decks, porches, foyer, parlor, pantry and cedar lined closets start the list. Home also offers a new garage, new roof, new furnace, a 24x24 barn (for all your toys), and a hot tub in the ceramic tiled master bath is the "icing on the cake!" #4490 \$118,900 Ask for Bob Pollack!

2375 S. I-75 Bus. Loop  
(Next to K-Mart) • Grayling, MI  
Office 348-5474  
FAX 348-4420

1993-1996, 1997 Quality Service Award Winning Office

## Your Lender for All Seasons.

- Rate & Term Refinance
- Purchase
- New Construction
- Income Properties
- Specialty Loans
- No Income - No Asset
- Pay Off Land Contract
- Debt Consolidation
- Bruised Credit
- Nationwide



OLD KENT

Member FDIC ©1999 Old Kent Bank

(517) 348-5435



**3. Employment**

**PART-TIME ACCOUNTANT POSITION** with a conservation organization. Related experience required. Familiarity with QuickBooks, and Microsoft Office a plus. Flexible schedule. Competitive wages, commensurate with experience and education. Send resume, cover letter, and references to: HP, P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. (-21-4/3)

**AUTO DAMAGE APPRAISER** You have all the drive and initiative now build an exciting career at I.T.S., Inc., an innovative, rapidly growing international auto inspection company. Right now our on-going expansion is creating opportunities for several energetic individuals. Joining our team in the Grayling and surrounding areas you'll perform quality inspections of used automobiles and appraised damage. To qualify you should have an auto body repair background or experience appraising automobiles, however we are willing to train the right individual. The starting salary for this career opportunity is \$9-12/hr. plus occasional over-time. For more information call 800-325-3736 or fax a resume to: 734-427-1058. E.O.E. (-28-4/3)

**ATTENTION: WORK FROM HOME** Earn an extra \$450-\$1,500 P/T or \$2,000-\$4,500 plus F/T/month. Call 1-800-825-2048. (-21-48/3)

**FUND DEVELOPMENT** Established, non-profit 501(c) three organization seeks applicants for full/part-time (contract) Fund Development position. Successful candidates will have excellent communication skills, oral and written, and knowledge of communities in Crawford, Oscoda, Ogemaw, and Roscommon counties. Mail/fax resume and cover letter with financial requirements to Mercy Housing Michigan, 400 Hobart Street, Cadillac, MI 49601. Fax: 231-876-7140. (-4/3)

**WORK FROM HOME** Earn an extra \$500-\$1,500/month part time or \$2,000-\$4,500/month full-time. Call 1-800-310-5382. (-4/3)

**17 PEOPLE NEEDED** Teresa lost 23 pounds in just 30 days. All natural Dr. approved. Call 612-767-2132. (-4/3)

**AUTO TECHNICIAN** Light duty auto technician. Requires state certification and tools. Excellent pay and fringe benefits. Friendly, professional dealership working environment. Plenty of work available. Monday thru Friday. Call Dave Petrie, Service Manager at Scheer Motors in Grayling, Michigan. (517) 348-5451 for interview appointment. (7/22/99t/3)

**COOK NEEDED** Competitive pay and health insurance. Send resume or apply between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. at Skyline, 4020 Skyline Rd., Grayling, MI 49738. (-28-4/3)

**NIGHT COOK WANTED** Benefits available for full-time. Apply in person at Spikes Keg O'Nails. (-21-4/3)

**RESIDENT MANAGERS** needed for apartment complexes in Rogers City, Clare and Big Rapids. Must be willing to live on site, have good communication skills and general knowledge of building maintenance. Prefer a couple. Send resume to Stratford Group Ltd., P.O. Box 517, Alpena, MI 49707. (-14-21-4-11/3)

**DRIVERS - ARE YOU PAID** a top five wage? Roehl flatbed drivers are! Exp F/B drivers earn 32-35 cents/mile; 34-37 cents with bonus plus tarp pay! Great O/O program with fuel, tolls, insurance, choice of Nat'l or Regional Fleet. E.O.E. \$\$\$ 1-800-467-6345 \$\$\$ www.roehl.net/np.htm (-4/3)

Over-minded, compassionate persons needed to assist local Probate Court as a Public Guardian. Call for information and interview 517-344-3269

**Interstate Brand Hostess** Cake is taking applications for route sales. Full time position, good wages with benefits. Fax resume to: (517) 732-7830 or mail to P.O. Box 764, Gaylord, MI 49734. (-28-4/3)

**3. Employment**

**17 PEOPLE NEEDED** to lose weight. Teresa lost 23 pounds in 30 days. All natural, Dr. approved. Call 1-313-967-4422 (-21-4/3)

**4. Services Offered**

**GET READY FOR WINTER** Snow plowing Grayling area, reasonable rates. Days 517-348-5242; evenings 517-348-5178. (-21-4-11-18/4)

**MAKE YOUR OWN** porcelain doll. Call for information 517-348-8350. (10/14/99t/4)

**I CHARGE BY THE** job not the hour. Raking, painting, cutting wood, stacking wood, cleaning leaves and sticks out of eaves around house roofs, etc. (-4/4)

**LIKE IT OR NOT** snow is coming. Don't be left in the cold shoveling your driveway. Call the insured professionals at Rainbow Landscaping for snow removal at 517-348-2508. (-7-14-21-4/4)

**CONTRACT FUNDING GROUP!**

Are you receiving payments from a Land Contract? **Call us and cash out!** Free call, free quote, Fast and Friendly service. **1-888-332-3488**

**4. Services Offered**

**CUETER'S AUTO & TIRES** Fall Specials. Free Winter Inspections: Oil change, most cars and trucks \$17. 1440 I-75 Business Loop. (-14-21-4/4)

**ACTIVE COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGIES** - ACT - your information source for the new millennium. Call us for assistance with: new systems networking, training, upgrading and supplies. Located at 2342-D Industrial Drive, Grayling. 517-344-0505. (-21-4-11/4)

**TWO SEVENTEEN YEAR OLD** high school girls looking for employment in babysitting. Can work after 3 p.m. during the week and anytime on weekends. Good with all ages. Please call 517-348-4404. (-21-4/4)

**CUSTOM UPHOLSTERY** Over 10 years experience Choose fabric in your home FREE estimates • Pick-up & delivery Shirley Bolton (616)258-2610

**Are you going to build or remodel?** Call Tri-Lakes Home Builders Association for a list of our licensed and insured contractor members (517) 275-4759 www.tl-hba.org trilakes@freeway.net

**3. Employment**

**RN's and LPN's** Earn Extra Christmas Money

Afternoon and Midnight Private Duty Shifts

**VitalCare**

1-888-626-2031, ext. 2149  
Equal Opportunity Employer

**North Central Community Mental Health**

Is seeking individuals to provide care for adults with developmental disabilities in a group home in Grayling. Rewarding work environment with staffing ratios of 1:3 or less. Starting wage is \$7.11/hr., increase to \$7.78/hr. after paid training. Potential for promotion to full-time with excellent fringe benefit package. Applicants must have proof of high school diploma/equivalent, reliable transportation and a working home telephone. Must have acceptable driving and criminal record checks. To apply call Beth at (517) 348-2461 Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EOE (-28-4/3)



**American Legion Lounge & Lanes of Grayling**

Now accepting applications for part-time bowling alley mechanic, bartender and wait staff.

Please apply in person, ask for Skip or Steve.  
106 S. James St. • Grayling  
**517-348-7232**



**MERCY AMICARE HOME CARE & HOSPICE**

Affiliated with the Mercy Health Services North Community Healthcare System

**MERCY AMICARE HOMECARE & HOSPICE IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:**

**HOMECARE - Temporary or Contingent Bereavement/Spiritual Care Coordinator.** Must possess the ability to address spiritual care issues and concerns of all religious faiths. Well-developed counseling, interpersonal and analytical skills a must. The successful candidate will have a Baccalaureate Degree in Social Work, Psychology, Theology or Counseling (Master's degree preferred). Two years of active ministry experience a plus; two years of hospice clinical grief counseling experience or an equivalent combination of education and experience. Contact Diane Tomaski, Hospice Clinical Manager.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE PERSON LISTED IN INDIVIDUAL AD: 1-800-424-1457/517-348-4383

OR  
FAX RESUME TO 517-348-3234 OR MAIL TO THE PERSON LISTED IN INDIVIDUAL AD: 125 MICHIGAN AVENUE, GRAYLING, MI 49738.

MERCY AMICARE HOMECARE & HOSPICE IS COMMITTED TO ACHIEVING DIVERSITY IN THE WORKPLACE AND IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

**4. Services Offered**

**BAND INSTRUMENT REPAIRS** Thirty years experience, prompt service. Fred Battershell. (517) 275-8382 (LR5/18/00/4)

**GARY'S STUMP GRINDING** Cheaper by the dozen. Free estimates. (231) 587-9296 or 1-800-870-3871. (LR12/2/99/4)

**HARD BODYZ HEALTH & FITNESS** Cardio Kickboxing. Sign up now. Space is limited. Times Mon. 5:30 p.m. and Sat. 11 a.m. 517-348-7199 (-14-21-4/4)

**COMPLETE SEPTIC TANK INSTALLATION & CLEANING** Jack Millikin, Inc. **348-8411**

**WORKONOLICS Chimney Sweeping** Are You Ready For Winter? Fast Service (517) 348-4329

**Think Snow** Snow Removal Commercial-Residential Driveways • Parking Lots Sanding or Salting Insured Hal's Masonry, Inc. **348-8179**

**4. Services Offered**

**LA SERVICES** Housekeeping, help to shut ins, shopping, cooking meals, excellent references, need an extra hand for the holidays, very reliable. Call 517-731-2898. (-21-4-11-18/4)

**PIANO TUNING AND REPAIRS** Rogers Piano Service, Fairview, MI 48621. Over 20 years experience. (517) 848-2262. (3/19/91t/4)

**RV AND BOAT STORAGE** 6375 W. M-72, Grayling, Michigan. 517-348-2861 (-21-4-11-18/4)

**Odd-Job Enterprises** Let us do your small home repairs FREE ESTIMATES • CALL LIC. Norm Schmooch (Ret.) **348-5132**

**4. Services Offered**

**SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES** Plowing and roof shoveling. Residential and commercial. Free estimates. call Scott at 517-348-2875 or cell 517-350-2145. (-14-21-4-11/4)

**ST. MARY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** Nov. 5 and 6, Fri. and Sat., 9-4:30 on Fri. and 10-3 on Sat. (-28-4/4)

**THE KIDS CLUB** has openings for part-time or full-time care. Meals provided, references as requested, call Cheryl at 517-348-3982. (-28-4/4)

**5. For Sale**

**LOVE SEAT** Mauve, beige, mint, floral. One year old, like new. \$150 517-348-3927 (-21-4/5)

**onsite COMPUTER SALES & SERVICE 517-348-7504**

custom built systems, internet setup & help, monitors, cd-roms, harddrives...etc, repairs on most makes and models, processor & memory upgrades, printer repair, service and sales. COMPLETE COMPUTER SYSTEMS STARTING AT \$899.00 installed & setup

**Mich-CAN Statewide Ad Network****REAL ESTATE**

**TENNESSEE LAKE-BARGAIN** 3 acres with boat slip \$24,900. Beautifully wooded, spectacular views, with access to crystal clear mtn lake next to 18 hole golf course! Paved roads, utilities, soils tested. Low, low financing. Call LMS 800-794-3154 ext 1745.

**#1 CAMPGROUND MEMBERSHIP** and timeshare resale clearinghouse! Don't want yours? — We'll take it! Buy! Sell! Rent! Resort Sales Int'l 1-800-423-5967.

**AUCTIONS NOV. 13-20** MI Residential R.E. - Most selling absolute Drummond Island, Union City Twp., Battle Creek & Sparta. Free brochure, 800-272-6094. BIPPUS & CO., Inc. www.bippusco.com

**FARM & RANCH**

**SOUTHERN COLORADO RANCH SALE 100 ACRES** - \$49,900. Great deal! Rolling fields, mt. views. All with and of road privacy. Year round access. Only one available! Excellent financing. Call toll-free 877-576-6367.

**EMPLOYMENT**

**DO YOU EARN \$800 IN A DAY?** Your own Local Candy Route Includes 30 machines and free candy. All for \$9.95. Call 1-800-998-VEND.

**DRIVER - Owner Operators** up to \$1.60 per loaded mile. Tractor Cargo Van & 18-24 ft. Straight Truck owners needed. Call Panther II Transportation today! 800-640-7055.

**MEDICAL BILLING - EARN EXCELLENT INCOME!** Full training provided. Home computer required. Call toll free! 1-800-540-6333 ext. 2237.

**DRIVERS - WE PAY for your EXPERIENCE.** Home weekly or 6-10 days guaranteed - your choice... Regional, Dedicated or OTR. Jump Start Lease Program! M.S. Carriers 1-800-231-5209 EOE

**DRIVER COVENANT TRANSPORT.** \$1,000 sign-on bonus for Exp. Company Drivers 1-800-441-4394 Owner Operators Call 1-888-667-3729 Bud Meyer Truck Lines Refrigerated Hauling CALL TOLL FREE 1-877-293-6393 Solo Drivers & Contractors

**START YOUR OWN BUSINESS!** Set your own schedule. Control your own income. Sell from your home, at work, through fundraisers. Be an Avon REPRESENTATIVE Call 888-942-4053.

**NEW PAY SCALE FOR COMPANY DRIVERS** All Miles Paid "Tarp pay" Major Medical, Vision, Dental, Disability, 401k, Per Diem. NEW LEASE PURCHASE PROGRAM! CALL TODAY 1-

800-247-8040. SMITHWAY MOTOREXPRESS www.smw.com

**DRIVERS - SWIFT TRANSPORTATION** Immediate Openings For Experienced & Inexperienced Drivers & O/O. CDL Training Available! Excellent Pay & Benefits. Assigned Equipment, Job Stability 1-800-575-9487 (eoe/mvt)

**WEEKLY NEWSPAPER EDITOR** Award winning Charlevoix Courier seeks weekly newspaper editor to handle it's news operation. Must have skills in writing, editing and photography. Page layout skill in Quark desirable. Full-time position which includes 401(k), health, dental, and optical insurance with paid vacation and sick days. Send resume and sample of work to: Ken Winter, Editor and General Manager, Petoskey News-Review, PO Box 525, Petoskey, MI 49770-0528. Application deadline: Friday, November 19, 1999.

**"FAPC APOLOGY"** Dear Readers, it is with my sincere apology that you could not get through to our office on the national 800 lines the week of October 17, 1999, due to technical difficulty by AT & T. Sincerely, Ken Banks, Chairman of the Board, First American Publishing Corp. 1-877-557-FAPC

**"HONEST HOME WORK"** Leading publishing house based in Michigan seeks Home Mailers for National advertising campaign. \$225.00 - \$275.00 per week plus MONTHLY BONUS. ES ACT NOV. Limited Positions. For FREE Details Send a #10 SASE to: FAPC, Dept. MPA0199 22433 West Road, Suite 204, Woodhaven, MI 48183-3150 1-877-557-FAPC

**NEWSPAPER REPORTER** The Petoskey News-Review News Department needs a reporter with both general assignment news and feature writing skills to join its award winning staff. This newly created full-time position will afford a qualified individual the opportunity to be involved in an exciting and demanding position. Must have two years prior reporting experience, be flexible with job assignments, and an organized self-starter. Benefits include paid vacation, sick days, life, hospitalization, dental, 401(k), and optical insurance. Send samples and resume to: Kendall Stanley, Managing Editor, PETOSKEY NEWS-REVIEW, PO Box 528, PETOSKEY, MI 49770. Application deadline: October 26, 1999

**GENERAL ASSIGNMENT REPORTER** full time employment opportunity offers salary & benefit package. Preferred qualifications - degree in journalism or a related field. Experience preferred, but willing to train the right candidate. Send resume, cover letter to: The Pioneer Group, Attn Cheryl Rosen, 502 N. State, Big Rapids, MI 49307 or email

crosen@pioneergroup.net

**YOUNG WOMEN/MEN 16-24** FREE Job Training (lots of career choices), earn your GED. High School diploma program available at some centers. PAID Training, live on or off campus, and receive FREE JOB PLACEMENT. Job Corps - U.S. Department of Labor Program. Call 1-800-774-5627.

**SERVICES**

**"MORTGAGE LOANS"** Good credit or bank turn-downs welcome! Best rates anywhere! Purchase/refinance. Bill consolidation, home improvements, Construction Land Contract pay-offs, Modulars, Mobile homes, ALSO CASHING OUT TRUSTS, PROBATES, INHERITANCES, SETTLEMENTS, LOTTERIES, LEASES, LAND CONTRACT PAYMENTS! Easy home & commercial loans by phone/mail. Call CITIZENS MORTGAGE 1-800-910-5626, 1-800-673-4200, 1-800-324-7872.

**CASH LOANS, Auto Loans and Mortgages.** Bad Credit OK. 1-800-471-5119 Ext. 603

**CASH FOR LAND CONTRACTS.** R E Investments, in Southfield Michigan, wants to pay you a dollar and provide you with fast and professional service. CALL 1-800-886-5995 ext. 112

**LESS THAN PERFECT CREDIT?** Need debt consolidation? Call Chase Manhattan to get the financial relief you need through our innovative residential mortgage refinancing programs. Call now! 1-800-554-3273. ©1999 The Chase Manhattan Corporation. All rights reserved. Equal Housing Lender.

**DIVORCE \$195.00.** For party, Children, Missing Spouse OK Bankruptcies \$225.00 Stop creditor calls. 8AM - 8PM Monday - Saturday (800) 488-3188 (800)990-9835.

**HOMEOWNERS GET CASH FAST! CREDIT PROBLEMS? WE CAN HELP! DEBT CONSOLIDATION "PAY OFF ALL BILLS" HOME IMPROVEMENTS "FORECLOSURES" "QUICK CLOSINGS" ALLIED MORTGAGE CAPITAL CORP 800-611-3766**

**HOMEOWNERS REFINANCE FAST! OVER-THE-PHONE!** Need second chance? Credit problems - Bankruptcy - Foreclosures - OK! Starting under 7% APR. 8.973 Nationwide Lender 1-800-699-LEND www.platinumcapital.com

**LAND CONTRACTS** If you're receiving payments on a Land Contract, GET A BETTER CASH PRICE IN ONEDAY. Argo Realty (248) 569-1200, Toll-Free 1-800-367-2746.

**DOCTOR LOANS MONEY ON REAL ESTATE AND BUYS LAND CONTRACTS.** Fast closing, immediate cash. Deal directly with Doctor Daniels & Son, 1-800-837-6166, 1-248-335-6166.

**BANKRUPTCY \$79+.** E-Z File Save\$ Hundreds. Stops Garnishments! Guaranteed valid. Divorce \$99+ Exciting Home Business Opportunities — will train! Guaranteed Stop Foreclosure \$350! FreshStart 1-888-419-9417. www.freshstartusa.com

**\$\$\$NEED CASH??? WE pay for** remaining payments on Property Sold! Mortgage! Mtuities! Injury Settlements! Immediate Quotes!! "Nobody beats our prices." National Contract Buy 1-800-778-8506 ext. 701. www.nationalcontractbuyers.com

**MERCHANDISE**

**DISABLED?** New and used wheel chair vans. Trades welcome. New and used wheel chair lifts, hand controls, etc. V.A. and worker's comp welcome. 1-800-345-3150.

**18" DIRECTV SATELLITE SYSTEMS.** Single system only \$59. Two Box systems available. Two months free programming. Authorized dealer. www.integratedsatellite.com 1-800-325-7836

**BUILDING SALE...** No Salesman. Go Direct and Save. Final Clearance. 20x26 \$2,600.00. 25x30 \$3,145.00. 30x40 \$4,750.00. 35x50 \$6,100.00. 40x60 \$7,800.00. 48x90 \$12,000.00. Others, Pioneer 1-800-668-5422.

**COMPUTERS**

**YOUNG WOMEN/MEN 16-24** FREE job Training in computers, nursing, welding and building/apartment maintenance. Earn your GED. High School diploma program available at some centers. PAID Training, live on or off campus, and receive FREE JOB PLACEMENT. Job Corps - U.S. Department of Labor Program. Call 1-800-774-5627.

**WANT A COMPUTER? BUT NO CASH??** MMX Technology will finance with "0" down. Past credit problems, no problem. Call toll free 1-888-675-8212.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**SAWMILL \$3795.** Saw logs into boards, planks, beams. Large capacity Best sawmill values anywhere. Free information. Norwood Sawmills, 252 Sonwill Drive, Buffalo NY 14225 1-800-578-1367

**PLACE YOUR STATEWIDE AD HERE!** Reaching over 1.3 million circulation. Contact the Crawford County Avalanche at 517-348-6811 for details.

### 5. For Sale

**TRACTOR ALLIS** Chalmers model W D 45. 226 CI cubic inch. 4 cylinders. Front blade, front bucket, rear blade, needs brakes. \$2,500 O.B.O. Call 810-953-1892. (-14-21-4-11/5)

**THREE RABBIT CAGES** Varying sizes, water bottle and food dishes. \$25 517-348-7278 (-4/5)

**FOR SALE** Dry oak, maple \$35 a cord. Cut, split and delivered. Stacking available. (517) 348-1870. Chris (LR1/6/00/5)

**STORE DISPLAY** Items, shelving unit crates, etc. Call 517-348-8817 Framing By Paula or stop in 234 Michigan Ave. (-4/5)

**SHARP FAX MACHINE** with answering machine: king size waterbed with mirrored headboard; new King waterbed mattress, semi-Waveless; curved glass china cabinet with glass shelves. Call 517-344-8166 after 5:30. (-4/5)

**JIM'S FARM MARKET** Low prices on apples, Ida Red, Mutsu, Cortland, Jonathans, Empire and Gala. \$5 a 1/2 bushel. \$8 a bushel. Unclassified potatoes \$2.99 for 50 lbs. 6289 West M-72, Grayling. (-28-4/5)

**DACHSHUNDS ADC.** mini. one male born 9-30-99, one female and one male born 10-18-99, \$350, taking deposits. 517-246-3107 (-4/5)

**10 YD DUMP TRUCK** Nice truck. 517-348-8742 (-4/5)

**14 X 70 TRAILER** Good condition. 1995 T/trailer. Coachman. 36' long with 4 ft. expansion. 517-348-5275 (-4-11/5)

**EXERCISE EQUIPMENT:** Stationary bike \$30; Nordic Trac Walk Fit \$200; hunting woad suit, Sears, extra large \$30; LaCrosse winter boots, size 13. \$30. 517-348-6967. (-28-4/5)

**FIREWOOD** Split and delivered \$35 per cord, stacking available. Call Scott at 517-348-2875 or cell 517-350-2145. (-14-21-4-11/5)

**ATTENTION: SKI RACERS** Fila GS suit \$80; Nordica boots 10 1/2 S75; Dyna Star S9 skis \$100. K2 Merlin 5 \$250. Rossignol Jr. \$50. Call 517-732-7449 (-28-4/5)

**THREE SETS FULL SIZE** mattress, Schwinn exercise bike. 517-348-9094 (-4-11/5)

### 6. Wanted

**WANTED** Old Bear Archery bows, equipment and pictures. Especially looking for wood handle, take down bows. Call Pete Kocenas 517-348-8627 or 1-800-848-1260. (11/4/99tf/6)

### 6. Wanted

**WANTED LICENSED DAYCARE PERSON.** preferably located in the City of Grayling. I will need someone full-time, starting the end of November, for a three year old and infant. Serious inquiries only. Mail a letter of interest and references to: CB Sitter, P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738 (10/7/99tf/6)

**ST. MARY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** Nov. 5 and 6, Fri. and Sat., 9-4:30 on Fri. and 10-3 on Sat. (-28-4/6)

### 7. Miscellaneous

**\$300 REWARD** Gray long-haired female cat, last seen 8/25 in the Grayling area, answers to Kuble. 906-346-6056 (-14-21-4-11/7)

**FOUND NEAR LAKE MARGRETHE** Golden retriever within last two weeks. 517-348-5879/810-694-5621. (-4-11-18/7)

**LOST 10/26/99** on Military Road. Two dogs: Male husky mix, black, white, and tan with blue eyes. Answers to the name Juno. Female chow mix, black with small white mark on hind foot. Answers to the name Spooky. Both dogs are very friendly and will probably come if called. Reward is being offered for their return. Please call 517-348-6972. (-4/7)

**FREE TO GOOD HOME** AKC registered Golden Retriever. Neutered male, two years old, all shots up to date. Call 517-348-2434. (-4-11/7)

**ST. MARY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** Nov. 5 and 6, Fri. and Sat., 9-4:30 on Fri. and 10-3 on Sat. (-28-4/7)

**Well Worth The Trip To Victorian Millworks!** Quality oak furniture, home accessories, unique gift items, Yankee Candles are a few of the goodies you'll find at Victorian Millworks. 1-75 exit 215, M-55, one mile east of West Branch. (517) 345-2540 (-4-11-18/7)

### 8. Announcements

**SIGNS OF ALL KINDS** Computer generated vinyl graphics trucks, trailers, snowmobiles, business. Call Pete Kocenas 517-348-8627. (11/4/99tf/8)

**OCT. 31 TO NOV. 7** is National Pornography Awareness Week. Please pray for and encourage store owners not to sell or rent this destructive material. John 10:10, Jesus. (-4/8)

**GRAYLING SPORTSMAN CLUB** Sight in Days November 12, 13, 14. 9 a.m. until dark. Old Lake Rd. Rifle range is east of Clubhouse. (-4-11/8)

### 8. Announcements

**GRAYLING HIGH SCHOOL PLAYERS** present. Meet Me in St. Louis Nov. 18, 19, and 20. 7 p.m. at Joseph Stripe Auditorium. \$5 for adults and \$4 for students and senior citizens. Tickets available at J. Dap Co. (-4-11-18/8)

**SPEAKEASY SALOON** Live entertainment Tuesday thru Saturday bands playing - Nov. 3- Nov. 6 Terry Cooper. Nov. 10- Nov. 13 Mo Jo and the Boogymen. Nov. 17 one night only Denny Luce. (-4-11/8)

**THE HELSEL FAMILY** on Madsen St. would like to announce to their community, that they will not be having Xmas trees, but would like to thank you for the past 50 years!! You will not be forgotten! (-4-11/8)

**DRIVER'S TRAINING** and Road Testing is offered by the Grayling Driver's Training School. Register now for the January 17 class. Contact Howard Lehti 517-348-8838. (LR11/24/99/8)

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT** is Steak Night at The Sawmill from 4-9 for \$4.99. (5/27/99tf/8)

### 8. Announcements

**SCHOLARSHIPS GRAYLING LODGE #356** F & AM is giving scholarships for the 2000 school year, to deserving students who have completed at least one year of college. For applications write to: Grayling Lodge #356 F&AM, P.O. Box 207, Grayling, MI 49738, and return the completed form by December 31, 1999. (-28-4-11/8)

**ATTENTION: SPIKE'S GUESTS** we have two new menu features: Our Friday Fish Fry now has extended hours and lower prices, serving from noon until 4 p.m., all you can eat is \$5.95, a single portion is \$3.50, if you can't make it early our regular fish fry serves from 4 p.m. until 10 p.m., all you can eat is \$6.95, a single portion is \$3.75. Saturday's feature, from 4 p.m. until 10 p.m., is a Prime Rib dinner for \$9.95. Spike's Keg O'Nails, 301 N. James Street, Grayling. Take out available 517-348-7113. (9/30/99tf/8)

**ST. MARY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** Nov. 5 and 6, Fri. and Sat., 9-4:30 on Fri. and 10-3 on Sat. (-28-4/8)

### 8. Announcements

**CHRISTMAS PARTIES** Private parties for 17 to 19 individuals. One nights lodging and breakfast beginning at \$458. Optional dinner. Beautifully decorated log lodge with wet bar, pool table, fire place, darts, card table, big screen TV, hot tub. All included! Pine Ridge Lodge in Lewiston. 517-786-4789 www.bbonline.com/mi/pineridge (-14-21-4-11/8)

### 10. Garage Sales

**ONE DAY ONLY** Garage Sale Saturday Nov. 6. We've remodeled, sinks, toilet, shower doors, vacuum cleaners, lamps, adult and children's clothes, miscellaneous. 3119 S. Portage Ave., Grayling, by Lake Margrethe. (-4/10)

**HELP WANTED HINTS** When placing a Help Wanted Classified, remember to list the job title and duties involved, whether it is full or part time, the name of company or business, mailing address for resume, or street address for walk-in applications. Crawford County Avalanche, 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (517) 348-6811

**Answers**

C	A	M	P	L	E	D	A	E	L	M
A	L	A	I	V	E	S	M	O	E	
D	I	C	K	C	L	A	R	K	E	R
			E	R	I	N	E	R	R	E
R	I	N	S	E	P	R	I	G		
A	G	O	E	L	K	E	N	E	S	T
T	O	M	S	U	A	W	K	N	O	W
E	R	I	K	I	T	S	A	C	I	A
			N	E	S	S	N	O	E	L
T	R	A	W	L	L	A	N	A		
E	A	T	A	G	I	T	A	T	I	O
E	V	E	P	O	S	E	H	O	N	E
D	E	S	S	P	A	N	S	N	O	W

### 9. Personals

**Happy 20th Birthday Robbie**



Love - Dad & Mom

### 11. Automotive

**DO YOU HAVE** problem credit. Want a new vehicle but you are tired of paying high interest rates? For a limited time Scheer Motors is offering rates as low as 7.9% on select vehicles. Call or stop by and ask for Deb (800) 968-8848 or (517) 348-5451. (LR1/13/00/11)

**NEED RUBBER STAMPS?** Call (517) 348-6811.

**Tom and Marion Welsh Celebrate 50 Years!**

1949 - November 10 - 1999  
Congratulations from your kids...  
Joanne, Frank,  
Jerry & Blair Doty  
Tom II, Lynn  
Erin, Megan & Colin Welsh



### 10. Garage Sales

**MOVING SALE** November 3 thru November 7, 9-5 p.m., Sunday, 9-4 p.m., 2391 Bell Rd. E-72 right on Stephan Bridge Road 1/4 mile turn right on Bell Road, follow signs. Country table, five chairs, boot bench, dressers, gas, grill, hardcover, paperback books, crosstitch craft books, Amc plus thread, up-town bottle, Custom SKS rifle, drill press, hydraulic jack, pontoon boat, two Skidoo snowmobiles with trailer, everything must go. Few antiques, also an '87 Ford Escort, does not run, parts only, new tires, \$50, '84 Escort timings off, needs brakes and tires \$200. '77 F-250 pickup 351M runs good, needs transmission, body rough, automatic. \$500 O.B.O. (-4/10)

**FOR ALL YOUR PRINTING NEEDS!** If you need Business Cards, Letterhead, Envelopes, Brochures, etc.. Come see us at the Crawford County Avalanche, 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling. Or call us at (517) 348-6811.

### 11. Automotive

**'89 TOYOTA GTS** five-speed, new paint, battery, etc. Very dependable. 517-389-7116 (9/30/99tf/11)

**1989 TOPAZ** Runs good. \$650 Call between 7:30 and 5:30. 517-348-8123 (-28-4/11)

**1998 BONNEVILLE** 10,000 miles, \$17,000, O.B.O. 517-348-4156 (-28-4-11-18/11)

**1987 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS** Good condition. \$2,500 O.B.O. 517-348-7514 after 5 p.m. (-28-4/11)

**1994 GEO TRACKER CONVERTIBLE** Excellent condition, 4 WD power steering, ABS brakes, nice paint job, radio AM/FM tape deck, four speakers, 22,000 miles. You must see this to appreciate. \$6,300 Call Larry 517-348-5936. (-28-4/11)

**1997 BLACK F150 Econoline** shadow conversion van. Extended bed, captain chair, rear air and heat. 517-348-7866 (-21-4/11)

**BANKRUPT, SLOW PAY, COLLECTIONS,** charge offs? Scheer Motors now has a special finance department to help our credit challenged customers. Call or stop by today and ask Deb for a confidential credit interview. (800) 968-8848 or (517) 348-5451. (11/4/99tf/11)

**1997 SILVERADO CHEVY 4 X 4** Vortex V8 350, extended cab loaded, glass cap, steps and bed liner. \$18,500 517-348-9758 (-21-4/11)

**INTERESTED IN RE-ESTABLISHING YOUR CREDIT?** Call Deb at Scheer Motors in Grayling. We have over 200 vehicles in stock. Bankruptcies and repos acceptable. 1-(800)968-8848 or (517) 348-5451. -B-TF/11

**Need to Sell A Automobile or Recreational Vehicle?**

Call us at the Crawford County Avalanche! (517) 348-6811

**BANKRUPTCY, COLLECTIONS, CHARGE OFFS SLOW PAY? NOT A PROBLEM!**

Please fill out and mail or fax the following loan application to:

**SCHEER MOTORS, INC.**  
(800) 968-8848 or (517) 348-5451  
P.O. Box 568  
Grayling, MI 49738  
Attn: Deb

Fax (517) 344-7403



Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_  
EMP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Time on Job \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Income \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
I authorize dealer and/or creditor to investigate my credit and employment history, obtain credit reports and release information about their credit experience with me.

**SCHEER MOTORS CAN HELP TO PUT YOU INTO THE VEHICLE YOU WANT AT A PRICE YOU CAN AFFORD!**

**\*\* Bring in the following and you may be able to take home a vehicle today!**

\*\* Current Telephone Bill  
\*\* Current Utility Bill  
\*\* Last Paystub  
\*\* Name, Address and Phone # of 6 References. Most should be relatives\*\*  
AVL

**OIL CHANGE IN 29 MINUTES OR LESS OR THE NEXT ONE IS FREE!**

- Oil change (up to five quarts of oil)
  - Oil filter
  - Chassis lube
  - Fluid level checks
  - Brakes - differential transfer case - transmission windshield washer
  - 25-point inspection
- No Appointment Necessary



**\$19.99**  
SPECIAL THRU 11/30/99

**Goodwrench Service Plus**  
The Plus means better.

**SCHEER MOTORS**  
US-27 North, Grayling • 517-348-5451

**"THE PLUS MEANS BETTER"**  
We accept:  
Visa - Mastercard - Discover  
American Express  
Hours: Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 5:30 pm

**SCHEER MOTORS BODY SHOP**

**We repair all makes & models**



**From minor to major body repairs, just call Scheer Motors**

- Modern Downdraft Prep & Paint Booths
- Complete Body Shop Facilities
- Free Computerized Estimates
- Courtesy Transportation
- Certified Technicians
- Insurance Work
- Frame Work

US-27 NORTH • GRAYLING • 517-348-5451 • JEFF SHARP • BODY SHOP MANAGER  
We accept VISA - MasterCard - Discover - American Express. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 8 am - 5:30 pm